

The Journal.

FRIDAY EVENING, JANUARY 3, 1890.

It will cost \$36,000,000 to run the municipal affairs of New York this year. A big metropolis is a big thing in more ways than one.

The ex-empress of Brazil died suddenly at Oporto last Saturday of heart disease. The dethroned Dom Pedro must feel that calamities are coming upon him thick and fast.

SEVENTY of Springfield's prominent citizens had a banquet last Saturday evening in honor of the 80th birthday of William E. Gladstone, the gathering being the only one of the kind on this side of the Atlantic.

SOUTH CAROLINA negroes are this week celebrating the 27th anniversary of the emancipation proclamation by holding a fair at Columbia, in which their progress is exhibited in agriculture and manufacturing industries.

An old year never went out in a pleasant mood than did 1889 on Tuesday. It was a year notable for disasters of various kinds, and humanity will hope for better things in this initial year of the reign of the nineties.

This is very neatly put by the Burlington Free Press:

One banker in Boston drew 4240 drafts last week, representing \$30,800 which working people were sending to their relatives in Europe as Christmas gifts. We don't hear of the working men in the free trade nations of Europe sending any such little tokens of prosperity to their kinsmen in this little olden country. Odd, isn't it?

The governor of New Hampshire has issued a vigorous proclamation warning liquor dealers to give up their illegal traffic, and calling upon officials of every sort and all good citizens to unite in enforcing the prohibitory law to the letter and promoting personal sobriety and temperance.

EIGHT negroes charged with murder were taken from the jail at Barnwell Court House, S. C., early last Saturday morning by a mob, and shot to death. This is a specimen of the average Southern idea of justice. If one white man had been so dealt with by a mob of negroes the whole state would be up in arms. But Northerners must not say anything about the "bloody shirt."

THE Legislature assembled on Wednesday and organized without friction, Senator Sprague of Boston being elected President of the Senate, while Speaker Barrett secured his desired reelection in the House. The Senate caucus resulted in 16 votes for Mr. Sprague and 10 for Col. Metcalf, about as expected. The House Republican caucus the evening before resulted, on the first ballot, in 76 votes for Mr. Barrett, 66 for Wardwell and 10 for Sanger, 78 being necessary for a choice. On the next ballot Barrett had 80, and was nominated. He will now have an excellent opportunity to demonstrate the unfairness of the criticisms upon his efficiency in the chair last year.

Gov. Brackett's Message. In his inaugural address to the Legislature yesterday Gov. Brackett gives a general review of the affairs of the commonwealth, and his message accordingly is too long for the average busy man to read. The total state debt is now \$28,251,287, having been reduced \$600,331 during the year. The financial condition of the state is excellent, but he cautions against making additional expenditures unless absolutely necessary. As a means of reducing the state tax the governor suggests a moderate tax upon large legacies and successions, it being thought by investigators of the subject that this would suffice to do away with the direct state tax entirely. The inequalities of our present system of taxation are alluded to, but no remedy suggested. He recommends that the office of tax commissioner be separated from that of the state treasurer. He speaks a good word for agriculture, and recommends prompt measures to relieve the state of the gypsy moth, the European pest which has obtained a hold in Middlesex county. He says the public schools have never been in so good condition as now, and thinks every county except Dukes and Nantucket should have a transit school. "Education is cheaper than crime." In order to facilitate the administration of justice he advises conferring jurisdiction of capital cases upon the superior court, three justices to sit at such trials, and the number of justices to be increased to meet the increased labor. He thinks the territorial jurisdiction of the district and police courts may profitably be extended. The abolition of the contract system of labor in the prisons has worked well, and he recommends a law allowing discharged prisoners to be paid a portion of their earnings.

The increasing number of insane persons already exceeds the accommodations for them, and he suggests the purchase of a large farm near Boston and the erection of cottages to accommodate 1000 patients. He believes that a great saving in state expenses could be made by the appointment of a state purchasing agent, to buy all the supplies for the various state institutions. Attention is called to the fact that insurance companies located in the state pay more than double the tax on their business than outside companies pay on their business done in the state, and some measure of relief is recommended. A good word is said for the railroads, which carried 93,500,000 passengers last year without the loss of a passenger's life by causes beyond his control. He recommends Gov. Ames's recommendation of the appointment of a highway commissioner in order that the condition of the public roads may be improved; suggests the necessity of laws for the supervision and regulation of electric wires; advises the application of the Australian system of voting to the primary meetings, but says nothing about its use in town elections. He suggests liberal provision for the national encampment of the Grand Army, to be held in Boston next August. The governor thinks the opponents of the license system should be encouraged by the fact that during the past year of the 351 cities and towns in the state 288 voted against and only 63 in favor of license. He says that if the present law is thoroughly enforced, as it should be, it will confine liquor selling in Massachusetts within comparatively narrow limits, and he suggests the passing of any further laws necessary to carry out its intent. He comes out quite strongly in closing in favor of biennial elections, with annual sessions of the Legislature, arguing the importance of the latter at some length.

LOCAL NOTICES.

It will pay you well to investigate the merits of Brussels soap. Money loaned on personal security. S. H. Healey. Brussels soap is practically the purest and most efficacious soap made. Try it and be convinced. Gent's Hand Sewed Boots and Shoes for sale at F. M. Eager's. If you will give it a chance, Brussels soap will tell its own story of superiority over all other soaps.

For sale cheap—two yoke of working oxen and three work horses, two of them cheap ones. Inquire at Alexander's brick yard, West Brimfield. Leading chemists, housewives, mechanics and laborers all pronounce Brussels soap the best they ever used.

PALMER AND VICINITY.

Communion at the churches next Sunday.

S. S. Taft's law office is now lighted by the incandescent electric lights.

John Hanson has sold his farm to Charles C. Abbey of Springfield for \$3000.

O. P. Allen expects to move his drug store to its new quarters next week.

Has the Palmer Board of Trade really gone into a state of innocuous desuetude?

Rev. Father Hart gave a supper to his altar-boys on Wednesday evening at the parsonage.

Seth J. Stone, a former proprietor of the Converse House in this place, died at Dana on Christmas day.

The prize speaking by the scholars of the high school will take place a week from next Tuesday night.

H. A. Northrop has received a deputy sheriff's commission for Hampden and Hampshire counties.

Rev. G. V. Maxham of Monson will occupy the pulpit at St. Paul's Universalist church next Sunday.

By vote of the town all taxes must be paid on or before February 1st, or the collector will levy on the property of the delinquent.

The case of William Colton of Monson, for interfering with Officer Healey, has been continued to the May term of the superior court.

Members of the dancing school invited in a few friends and danced the old year out and the new year in at the Weeks House Tuesday night.

A. B. Merrill, proprietor of the stock farm at West Brimfield, has bought a yearling stallion colt of Thomas Blanchard, the price being \$1200.

The thirty-seventh annual report of the Eastern Hampden Agricultural Society is in the hands of the printer, and will be issued the latter part of next week.

In the appealed case of T. J. Clifford of Thorndike, charged with illegal liquor selling, tried in the superior court this week, the jury failed to agree.

The annual meeting of the Five-Year Endowment Association was postponed from Monday to this evening, at the quarters of the Iron Hall in the bank block.

A meeting of St. Paul's Universalist parish will be held at the church next Wednesday evening, to see what action will be taken toward calling a pastor.

New signs, bearing the name of the station in letters of white enamel, have been put up at either end of the Boston and Albany platform at the passenger station.

Willie Smith, a 14-years-old boy employed at Holden & Fuller's mill, had the back of one hand badly skinned by getting it in contact with a rapidly-moving belt Monday afternoon.

There is talk among certain parties of making an attempt to have the post office moved to the east store in Dewey's block, and it is reported that a petition to that effect is in circulation.

The joint installation of officers in the Grand Army Post and Woman's Relief Corps will be next Wednesday evening, Comrade George Smith of Springfield being the installing officer.

As a general thing the tramps fight shy of Palmer—they don't like to break stone four hours for their lodging and breakfast—but there were eleven of them in the tramp room last Saturday night.

At the Congregational church next Tuesday evening will be the fourth entertainment in the lecture course, readings and impersonations by Frederick D. Losey of Boston, assisted by Charles L. Hoyt of Springfield, clarinet soloist.

Palmer Lodge of Odd Fellows has been presented with an excellent portrait of the late J. H. Smith, by his wife. Mr. Smith was an ardent worker in the lodge, one of its past grand, and at the time of his death held the office of treasurer.

At the probate court in Springfield Wednesday administration was granted in the estate of Flora B. Thresher, late of Hampden, Olive N. Thresher administratrix. An inventory was rendered in the estate of Joseph A. Parker, late of Wilbraham, real estate \$1200, personal \$80.

About 40 of the friends and neighbors of G. W. Lyman made him a surprise visit at his house on Squier street Wednesday evening. The occasion was his 36th birthday, and the guests presented him with a nice office chair and a piano lamp. An original poem was also read.

At the annual meeting of the Palmer Carpet Company Wednesday, W. C. Dewey was chosen president; W. A. Lincoln of Springfield, treasurer; clerk, W. W. Leach; directors, the above officers, with C. E. Dewey of Palmer and Fred Kellogg of Springfield.

A horse belonging to George Moon at Tenneyville became frightened at the cars last Friday while crossing the Main street bridge over the tracks, and took a lively run down Church street, demolishing the vehicle and throwing out two women occupants, who fortunately were not much hurt.

The Baptist Sunday-school has made choice of these officers for the ensuing year: Superintendent, A. E. Fitch; assistant, Miss E. F. Prescott; secretary and collector, C. M. Kempton; treasurer, Miss Lillian Edgerton. The school has presented

Mr. Fitch a fine etching in appreciation of services rendered.

Palmer Lodge of Odd Fellows elected these officers last Friday evening: N. G. Joseph V. Clarke; V. G. George B. Kenner; R. S. F. N. Conant; treasurer, George Robinson; trustees, L. G. Parkhurst, George O. Henry and Charles T. Brainerd. The installation is this evening, by District Deputy Dunham of Springfield.

The Order of the Iron Hall will install these officers next Thursday evening: P. C. J. C. A. LeGro; C. J. C. E. Fuller; V. J. M. J. Dillon; accountant, C. K. Gamwell; cashier, C. E. Fish; prelate, O. P. Allen; adjutor, L. G. Parkhurst; herald, L. W. Parkhurst; vidette, J. E. Barrett; watchman, M. J. Barrett.

A man who alighted from the 8.09 a. m. train Monday morning for a short promenade on the platform was followed by a handsome spaniel dog. When the train started for Springfield he was also followed by the dog, but after a run of a mile or so up the track the "pup" gave it up and came back to the station in search of a new master.

The children of the Congregational Sunday-school were given a Christmas supper in the church vestry Tuesday evening. After the supper there were games, singing, etc., and each one received a small ball of candy, with other remembrances for the members of the infant class. If the happy faces and amount of noise produced were indicative of anything, the little ones enjoyed the evening immensely.

Palmer fell an easy victim to "La Grippe." There were only about a half dozen cases the latter part of last week, but its victims are numbered by the score since then. The majority of the cases are light, but there are some quite severe ones, and one or two which might be considered dangerous. A good many have tried to think they have had it, for it is as well to be out of existence as out of the fashion, and "La Grippe" is all the go now, but those who have had a genuine dose of it do not care to have the thing repeated. At the state primary school over 100 children were treated for it Sunday, and eight officers have been incapacitated for duty.

The week of prayer will be observed at the Congregational church next week as follows: On Tuesday afternoon at three o'clock a meeting will be held for the benefit of those who cannot attend evenings; all, however, are invited. On Wednesday, Thursday and Friday evenings the service will be held at 7.30 o'clock, topics as follows: Tuesday, "Prayer for more sense of God's strength in the hearts of his people;" Col. 1:11-12; II Cor. 9:8; Isaiah 40:28-31. Wednesday, "Prayer for our homes; that parents may act on the Bible standard of Christian nature;" Gen. 18:19; Eph. 6:1-4. Thursday, "Personal relations with the Holy Spirit;" Ezek. 36:26-27; John 14:16-17; Rom. 8:9-17. Friday, "Prayer for the impenitent;" (1) Adults familiar with the gospel message, Eccl. 8:11; (2) The wayward, Luke 15:13; (3) The young, Luke 9:38.

District Court. 30.—Gabriel Grope, for wanting to pay his fare "next time" on the Boston and Albany road, was sent up in default of 10.23.

A hearing was had in the case of liquors seized on premises of M. O'Grady at Monson, and the liquors declared forfeited. Jan. 1.—James Cohn, vagrancy; two months. Frank Reade, Thomas Melrose, George Pearce and James Morris, same offense; three months each.

Attempt at Burglary.

Another effort was made to get into the safe in the New London Northern freight office last Saturday night, the second in about a year. Entrance to the office was gained by smashing a window, and after breaking one drill two holes were made through the top of the safe and a charge of powder put in and fired, the only damage being the warping of the safe door so that the services of a blacksmith were required to open it. The books and papers in the safe were blackened somewhat, though not materially damaged, but the \$8 in silver which the safe contained was badly discolored by the powder. Station Agent Fish thinks the safe is a good one, as the other attempt at blowing it open only brought about the same results.

How is it in Palmer?

Gov. Brackett in his address to the Legislature yesterday said, speaking of the liquor law:

"Every day to sell liquor" to be drunk on the premises is subject to the condition that the licensee shall not keep a public bar, and shall hold a license as an innholder or common victualler; and this latter he is not entitled to hold unless actually carrying on the business specified. The meaning of the law clearly is that, while liquor may be sold by a licensed dealer, like other merchandise, to be carried away, it shall not be sold to be drunk on the premises except in hotels and restaurants. The obvious intent is to do away with the dramshop and the public bar and only to allow the licensed proprietors of hotels and restaurants, as incidental to their principal business, to furnish liquor to their bona fide guests.

How many of the dealers licensed in town, or for that matter in other towns, are complying with the law in this respect?

Mulvihill-Foley. The marriage of Miss Margaret E. Mulvihill and F. J. Foley, a popular clerk for W. E. Stone, took place at St. Thomas Catholic church Wednesday afternoon at 5 o'clock in the presence of a large company, the ceremony being performed by Rev. J. F. Lee of Monson, assisted by Rev. William Hart. The couple was accompanied to the altar by Frank Foley, a brother of the groom, and Miss Emma Mulvihill, a sister of the bride. The bride wore a traveling dress of light-brown cashmere, and carried a bouquet of white roses. A reception was held at the house of the bride's father after the ceremony, the couple leaving at 8.57 for a short wedding trip. As both the young people are well known they were the recipients of many handsome and valuable presents, among them being a dinner and tea set from the guests of the Weeks House, where Mr. Foley has boarded for some years.

Personal. J. N. Lacey of Danvers, a former resident, was in town yesterday. George Holden is the new foreman in the packing room at the wire mill.

Mrs. H. B. Knox and daughter return from New Hampshire this evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Leland of Worcester spent Sunday with E. S. Brooks.

Miss Ida Snow of Newtonville, formerly of Palmer, was in town last Saturday.

C. A. Royce is in Springfield, temporarily running as express messenger on the Athol branch.

W. C. Hitchcock, formerly of Palmer, now of Bennington, Vt., was in town over Sunday.

E. A. Burnham of Putney, Vt., is the new teacher of the grammar school, in place of Mr. Blanchard, resigned.

Stever Knox has so far recovered from the recent injury to his knee as to be able to be out, with the aid of a cane.

Three daughters of Hon. G. J. Barker of Lawrence, Kan., have been visiting their cousin, Mrs. W. Winter, this week.

O. J. Stockwell resigned his position as superintendent of the Palmer Wire Mills Co.'s works Tuesday, but will remain in town for a while, at least.

Conductor Sedgwick of the Ware River road was laid up the first of the week with the "grippe," his train being run by Conductor Osborn of Springfield.

Arthur Holbrook, a young son of C. D. Holbrook, made a misstep while at play on Commercial street yesterday afternoon, and fell, breaking his leg between the knee and ankle.

Conductor Sanders is in attendance on the doings of the Legislature at Boston, his train on the New London Northern road being run by J. H. Carty, one of the most popular young men on the road, during his absence.

Annual Church Meetings. The annual meeting of the Baptist church Monday evening was an occasion of much pleasure and profit to all who were present. About forty sat down to supper, including several non-resident members who came to the "home gathering," and at the roll-call letters were read from absent members unable to be present. The following officers for the ensuing year were chosen at the business meeting: Clerk and treasurer, C. B. Fiske; collector, C. E. Fuller; executive committee, A. W. Weeks, E. G. Buss, P. M. Shearer, E. B. Taylor, C. B. Fiske; prudential committee, A. W. Weeks, L. Dimock, C. B. Fiske, E. G. Buss, B. C. Davis, Mrs. C. B. Fiske, Mrs. A. W. Weeks; baptismal committee, B. C. Davis, L. W. Parkhurst, Mrs. P. M. Shearer, Mrs. J. C. Rich, Miss E. F. Prescott; auditing committee, A. E. Fitch, Frank Washburn; soliciting committee, Mrs. C. B. Fiske, Mrs. L. G. Parkhurst, Mrs. E. G. Buss.

At the annual meeting of the Congregational church last evening these officers were elected: Clerk, O. P. Allen; treasurer, Dea. A. E. Park; auditor, Dea. W. A. Breckenridge; superintendent of Sunday-school, J. B. Shaw; assistants, Dea. W. A. Breckenridge and Miss Helen L. Cobb; secretary and treasurer, Harry Taft; librarian, Miss Edith Shaw; organist, Miss Lena Brown; standing committee of the church, the pastor and deacons, with L. H. Gager, Dr. G. H. Wilkins, O. P. Allen, Mrs. C. C. Hunt, Mrs. J. H. Kenner, Mrs. S. S. Holden, Mrs. John Breckenridge, Mrs. D. F. Holden, Mrs. L. G. Gardner, Mrs. Hiram Converse; committee on welcoming strangers, J. B. Shaw, Dea. C. W. Bennett, George Hastings, L. E. Moore; ushers, B. P. Morse, Harry Taft, Arthur Holden, Charles Andrews. The total amount of benevolences contributed by members of the congregation during the past year for missions and other purposes was \$1478.

Building Association Organized.

About forty of the subscribers to the stock of the building association were present at the meeting in the court room Tuesday evening, when the organization was perfected. C. L. Gardner called the meeting to order, and L. E. Moore was chosen temporary clerk. A list of by-laws was presented and after some discussion adopted. The name is the Masonic and Odd Fellows Building Association of Palmer; the capital stock is \$5000, in 200 shares of \$25 each; the annual meeting is to be the first Tuesday in January; the officers are a president, vice president, clerk and treasurer, and a board of seven trustees. The officers for the ensuing year are: President, C. L. Gardner; vice president, George Robinson; clerk and treasurer, L. E. Moore; trustees, C. L. Gardner, E. G. Hastings, A. L. Hills, J. V. Clarke, L. E. Moore, George Robinson, G. O. Henry. The bond of the treasurer was fixed at \$10,000. The trustees were instructed to buy the lot at the corner of Main and Church streets from the Palmer Savings Bank for \$1500, and as soon as its charter is received the association will probably begin work on the structure. Just what the building is to be has not yet been decided, but a handsome three-story block will be put up. Following is a list of subscribers to the capital stock as it now stands, though it is hoped that every Mason and Odd Fellow in town will join the association, and Treasurer Moore has a few spare shares for this purpose: L. E. Moore, C. L. Gardner, W. W. Leach, G. O. Henry, W. A. Webb, G. H. Wilkins, Wm. Holbrook, Wm. Merriam, O. P. Allen, C. D. Holbrook, E. G. Hastings, H. E. Sanders, S. H. Hilday, W. A. Barnes, J. V. Clarke, G. M. Newton, C. L. Alexander, D. H. Brown, E. H. Russell, A. Finney, F. J. Wason, Frank A. Royce, C. E. Fish, C. E. Fuller, H. N. Sedgwick, E. N. Carpenter, J. A. Palmer, G. B. Kenner, G. E. C. Green, H. J. Henry, L. G. Parkhurst, W. C. Cross, D. F. Holden, W. E. Stone, Fred Allen, B. B. Knox, F. R. Lawton, P. D. Barton, G. A. Bills, J. W. Weeks, C. S. Ruggles, C. A. Royce, H. W. Smith, H. L. Farnes, Fred Thompson, C. T. Brainerd, G. W. Wilcox, Richard Russell, C. C. Green, H. J. Henry, L. G. Parkhurst, R. A. McQuinn, Oliver Patroll, W. J. Smith, O. W. Marcy, F. H. Conant, Wallace Shaw, E. C. Butler, J. H. Shaw, W. P. Webster, F. E. Sedgwick, H. G. Loomis, H. K. W. Clark, A. L. Hills, J. S. Loomis, C. W. Shumway, G. H. Sears, O. A. Farant, E. A. Fackard, C. E. Getchell, C. H. Atkins, G. E. Sedgwick, J. D. McFarlane, John Hutchins, M. Thomas, C. H. Fallow, Levi Weston, E. E. Kendall, Edward Goodes, George Robinson, H. P. Marcy, H. Lawrence, W. J. Ham, J. B. Shaw, G. W. Williams, J. S. Morgan, H. A. Northrop, F. H. Caryl, C. E. Shumway.

Palmer Center.

George Shaw has gone to Springfield to work.

There was a pleasant gathering at Samuel Brown's New Year's Eve, which danced the old year out and the new in.

Hampden.

There are several cases of "La Grippe" in town, but none very serious ones. W. H. Thresher, employed at D. O. Pease's shoddy mill, caught his hand between the tumbler and cylinder of a card last Saturday, and before the machine could be stopped the flesh was stripped off clear to the wrist.

BRIMFIELD.

Thomas Cole and Frank Potter have been visiting in town.

Rev. W. K. Pierce was so ill Sunday that no services were held at the town hall.

Mrs. Fred Parker is visiting friends in Brattleboro, Vt., and will return via Springfield, also making visits there.

Several in town talk about having the "Grippe," but so far as known nothing more than hard colds have been found.

Mrs. M. L. Richardson took a trip to Worcester this week to visit Gilbert Richardson and wife, the latter being quite ill.

D. L. Griggs offers for sale his present residence, and also the store now occupied by Louis S. Brown. See advertisement in another column.

WEST WARREN.

There are a few mild cases of "La Grippe" in the village.

Peter Chicoine is building a four-tenement house on School street.

The baseball club will present the drama "Robert Emmet" Jan. 24, followed by a dance.

A new set of scenery, painted by Hitchcock of Ware, has been placed in Washington Hall, and the hall is being piped for gas.

Union meetings will be held during the week of prayer, the first three nights at the Congregational church and the last three at the Methodist church.

LUDLOW.

Dwight Bramble has sold his livery business to Henry Fuller of Indian Orchard.

Lavigne and Broulette have opened a meat market in the old carriage shop building across the river.

"La Grippe" laid its hold on Dr. Hannum this week, and he was obliged to succumb, being unable to attend to his patients for several days. Pliey A. Waid died at his home in this place last Saturday at the age of 56. In 1861 his skull was fractured by the fall of a well-sweep, and was trephined, but he has been a victim of convulsions ever since, needing constant care and attention. The Congregational Sunday-school has chosen these officers: R. H. Jones superintendent in place of Rev. M. P. Dickey, who has served for several years. These are the other officers: Assistant superintendent, Mrs. George R. Clark; librarians, Walter Atchinson and Belle Walker; secretary, Miss Ella Fisher; treasurer, H. E. Miller; chorister, E. E. Chapman; organist, Mrs. E. N. Fisher.

THREE RIVERS.

The week of prayer will be observed next week by the churches here.

George A. Keith recently slaughtered a thoroughbred Chester White hog which dressed 800 pounds.

Mr. R. C. Newell again generously gave the boys and girls who work in the mill a feast on Christmas night. There were a large number present, and all seemed to enjoy the occasion.

The A. O. U. W. has elected these officers: E. M. Stillman, foreman; T. D. Frame, overseer; John Russell, conductor; C. F. Nickerson, recorder; H. J. Eaton, receiver; E. P. Arnold, financier; William Kuss, J. W.; Elijah Freake, O. W. The Union Sunday-school elected these officers last Sabbath for the ensuing year: Superintendent, F. A. Upham; assistant superintendent, C. W. Eaton; secretary and treasurer, Howard Rich; librarians, Lars McDougall; assistant, Rose Nickerson.

A Silver Wedding.

Rev. John Evers and wife celebrated the twenty-fifth anniversary of their marriage in a very pleasant manner last Friday evening. The ladies' parlor at the Baptist church had been prepared for the occasion, and the invited guests began to assemble at 7 o'clock to extend their congratulations to the worthy pair. When all had assembled Mr. Frank Orcutt, as master of ceremonies in a felicitous manner called the attention of the company to the cause which had called them together, and in behalf of all presented the reverend gentleman and his wife with the many beautiful and valuable presents which adorned the table. Mr. Evers responded feelingly and thanked all for the gifts and for the uniform kindness with which he had met while in this country. As he was about to resume his seat, Mr. Elbridge Tenney stepped forward and in behalf of the friends in the church presented Mr. Evers with another gift, a handsome dressing gown. Refreshments were then served, including the wedding cake, and after a pleasant evening spent in social conversation the company departed for their homes, wishing the couple many pleasant returns of their wedding day.

WILBRAHAM.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hubbard started on their Western trip yesterday.

Fred Lewis, Gurney & Spaulding's former clerk, started for California Tuesday.

James D. Murphy, from Williamstown College, is spending his vacation in town.

Dr. Charles Merrick, who has been home the past few weeks, will return to Worcester next week.

Prof. Louisa Hodgkins of Wellesley College has been spending the vacation at Dr. G. M. Steele's.

Miss Mary Howard, who has been visiting friends in Boston and vicinity the past few weeks, has returned.

The Ladies' Benevolent society of the Congregational church met with Mrs. Dr. Foskitt Tuesday afternoon and evening.

Miss Belle Phelps and Miss Kittie Gill, who have been spending the holidays at their homes, return to Wellesley College, next week.

The post office was moved to its new location in C. M. Pease's store Tuesday evening. Fred Green, the former postmaster, is retained as assistant.

Dr. William Warren, President of Boston University, with his family, who have been spending the holidays in town, leave for their home in Cambridge to-day.

Invitations are out for the marriage of Miss Emma Brewer to James W. McConville, at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Edwin Brewer, next Wednesday evening.

The Sunday-school of the South church has selected the following officers for the ensuing year: Superintendent, Henry Clark; assistant, Miss M. Adella Pease; secretary and treasurer, Miss Ida Bolles; librarian, Miss Bessie Pease; assistant, Edward Howard; chairman of library committee, Mrs. N. S. Howard.

Wilbraham Grange will install the following officers Monday evening: Master, Clarence Bolles; overseer, A. J. Blanchard; lecturer, Mrs. Wells Phelps; steward, Harry Clark; assistant steward, George Lyman; chaplain, H. H. Burbank; treasurer, F. E. Clark; secretary, Ida H. Bolles; gate keeper, Arthur Stebbins; Ceres, Mrs. J. C. Blanchard; Pomona, Mrs. Fred Green; lady assistant, Miss Mary Beebe.

THORNDIKE.

Frank Parsons is home from Bridge-water.

There will be a social dance at the fair to-night.

J. H. Staples of Holyoke made a flying visit here Wednesday.

Dan. Sullivan's new building on High street is being pushed rapidly.

The mills did not shut down on New Year's, but several of the employees were let out to celebrate.

Much sickness prevails here, "La Grippe" having entered many households and made himself generally disagreeable.

Wednesday being the feast of the Circumcision, masses were celebrated at the Catholic church at 5 and 8 o'clock a. m.

Owing to the illness of Rev. C. H. Hanks and family, there were no services at the Congregational church last Sunday.

The entertainment given by the Bonds-ville and Three Rivers Dramatic Club last Friday evening was well attended and the performance good, all taking their parts well.

The Star Bicycle Club will hold their dance at Union Hall on Friday evening February 14, with music by Lyons & Lumsden's orchestra. Ben Chadwick of Westfield will prompt.

These officers were elected by the St. Mary's society at their last meeting: M. Keefe, president; T. Riley, vice president; M. Coffey, treasurer; E. Lyons, recording secretary; D. Crimmins, financial secretary; board of directors, P. Conners, James Sullivan, T. Shea, D. Buckley, M. Coffey.

The St. Mary's Dramatic Club gave their entertainment entitled "By Force of Impulse" at Union Hall Tuesday evening to a large and appreciative audience. The parts were well selected and were all exceptionally well rendered, the affair being a grand success throughout. The play was far the best ever given by local talent and received much praise from out-of-town visitors. The event of the evening was the presentation of a gold-headed cane to Mr. John F. Luman by the dramatic club as a token of their esteem and appreciation for him as an instructor and an ever-willing person to assist in all their efforts. The affair was a complete surprise to Mr. Luman, he being called on the stage previous to the performance and in the presence of the audience presented with the cane, William Lyons making the presentation with a neat and well-worded speech, to which Mr. Luman responded in a few words, thanking his friends for their kindness.

WARREN.

Mr. Arthur Sibley has been spending the week in New York.

The reading circle will meet with Mrs. Ayres Monday evening.

Dr. J. W. Hastings attended the medical meeting at Spencer Wednesday.

A party of 15 attended the concert at Springfield last Friday evening.

The King's Daughters met with Mrs.

heartfelt sympathy of the towns-people in her bereavement.

Fred L. Spilner received a check from the county treasurer yesterday for \$15.40. It being just the amount he had to pay Agent Anderson last fall for the killing of his dog on the claim that it had been killing sheep. This is the result of a petition which was forwarded to the county commissioners a short time since asking to have the above amount refunded, as it was wrongfully demanded.

Following is a list of scholars who have not been absent nor tardy in grammar school No. 8 so far this term: Eddie Bradley, Fred Moore, Patrick Brannick, John Hanley, Frank Abbott, Fred Clough, Eddie Locke, Willie Nelson, Ralph Munn, Clarence Abbott, Brainerd Bradley, Herbert Aldrich, Mary Taylor, Alice King, Katie Parker, Nellie Hanson, Rosie Spuler, Annie Rathbun, Mabel Watson, Addie Knight.

WARE AND VICINITY.

Robert T. Hill, son-in-law of John W. Robinson, has resigned his position as professor of geology in the State University of Texas, to accept a position with the state geologist of that state.

The Woman's Relief Corps intends at some future date to present the cantata of "Esther." They expect to have a chorus of about fifty. Rehearsals have been commenced under a director from Boston.

The Town Hall is to be occupied next week each evening by Flavia Cole and R. A. Dumary and company. When here before Miss Cole was a great favorite with Ware people, so no doubt there will be good houses. Some time ago the selectmen made a rule that they would not let the Town Hall to any company to occupy it a week, but they have made this company the exception. The border drama "Pard" will be presented the opening night. No praise is needed, as all who have once seen this favorite will be pleased to be present at these entertainments. The tickets will be on sale at Mulvaney's.

About 8 o'clock Saturday evening an alarm was rung in from box 47 for a fire which was out of the district, the farm house owned by Thomas Raymond, and known as the Charles Howe place. The house was totally destroyed. Raymond went home from the village at night and it is supposed that he accidentally set the fire. Nearly all of the furniture was burned. The house was insured for \$800 and there was an insurance of \$500 on the furniture. Raymond was taken from the house with his clothes badly burned and some bad burns on his flesh. His wounds were dressed by Dr. Miner and he was taken to the Town Hall, where he was cared for until Tuesday, when he was taken to the house of Mrs. Joseph Breckinridge. He has suffered considerably, but is improving now.

Boss-Burnham.

About forty guests gathered at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. John Boss Tuesday evening to witness the marriage of their daughter Sadie Viola, to Henry Burnham, assistant superintendent of the Otis Co's mills. The ceremony was performed by Rev. A. T. Perry of the East Congregational church, assisted by Rev. Michael Burnham of Springfield, an uncle of the groom. The couple received congratulations and many beautiful presents from their friends. The piazza of the house and the grounds were illuminated with Chinese lanterns, which made a very brilliant display. The room in which the ceremony was performed was tastefully decorated with smilax. The bride was dressed in white and carried a bouquet of white roses. Mr. and Mrs. Boss, cousins of the bride, were best man and bridesmaid, and Miss Hattie Boss, a younger sister of the bride, was maid of honor.

CARD.—We wish to thank our friends and neighbors who so kindly assisted us in our recent bereavement. L. S. MASON AND FAMILY. Monson, Jan. 2, 1890.

CARD.—We would thank the neighbors and friends for their words of sympathy and acts of kindness to us in our recent bereavement. HANNAH A. LEONARD, SISTER BLODGETT.

TO THE MEMBERS OF ST. MARY'S CLUB.—I return my sincere and deepest thanks to the members of the club for their kind token of esteem presented to me on Tuesday evening, and shall always in the future as well as the past continue to merit your best wishes, and shall look upon this occasion as one long to be remembered. Yours very truly, JOHN F. LUMAN.

Whooping cough, croup, sore throat, sudden colds, and the lung colds peculiar to children, are easily controlled by promptly administering Ayer's Cherry Pectoral. This remedy is safe to take, certain in its action, and adapted to all constitutions.

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Card of Thanks. I hereby desire to extend to all my friends my thanks for the many kindnesses extended to me during my past illness of over three months from rheumatism, and I especially desire to tell them that but for Sulphur Bitters I should have been suffering still. May you never suffer what I have, is the wish of your friend, B. H. TAYLOR.

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BORN.

At Palmer, 29th ult., a daughter to H. M. and PHILIP B. KENDALL. At Thorndike, 31st ult., a daughter to MARSHALL LINSON.

MARRIED.

At Palmer, 1st, by Rev. J. F. Lee of Monson, assisted by Rev. Wm. H. Hart of Palmer, J. F. FOLEY and MARGARET E. McVILLIUM. At Thorndike, 14th ult., by Rev. G. W. Christie, W. F. NOYES of Athol and BELLE CROCKET of Orange, Vt. At Monson, 31st ult., by Rev. T. C. Martin, F. W. GROTT and MARY E. HATHAWAY. At Ware, 31st ult., by Rev. A. T. Perry, assisted by Rev. Michael Burnham of Springfield, HERBERT BURHAM and SADIE V. BOSS. At Ware, 1st, by Rev. B. V. Putnam, WEBSTER GEORGE of Ware and ELIZABETH STEWART of West Warren. At Ware, 5th ult., by Rev. B. V. Stevenson, CURTIS W. KENYON of Springfield and ETNA M. LAMBERTON of Ware. At Ware, 14th, by Rev. B. V. Stevenson, LESTER W. PORTER of Ware and CARIE A. BROCKWAY of Bellows Falls, Vt.

DIED.

At Ludlow, 28th ult., PLYNIA A. WAID, 56. At Boston, 27th ult., HOLMS S., 9 yrs. 24 days, son of John Horne, formerly of Enfield. At New York City, 27th ult., 72, brother of Dr. John Yale of Ware. At Ware, 28th ult., NELLIE LEONARD, 25, of Monson.

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3-35

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The way is dark, my Father! Cloud on cloud is gathering thickly o'er my head, and loud the thunders roar above me. See, I stand like one bewildered! Father, take my hand, and lead me to light. Thy child!

The day goes fast, my Father, and the night is drawing darkly down. My faithless slight see, how it gleams; fear a spectral hand, Encompass me. Oh, Father, take my hand, and lead me to light. Thy child!

The way is long, my Father! and my soul longs for the rest and quiet of the way. While yet I journey through this weary land, keep me from wandering, Father, take my hand, and lead me to light. Thy child!

The path is rough, my Father! Many a thorn has pierced me, and my weary feet all torn and bleeding, mark the way. Yet the command bids me pass forward. Father, take my hand; then safe and blest lead up to rest. Thy child!

The throng is great, my Father! Many a doubt and fear of danger compass me about. And foes oppress me; I cannot stand Or go alone. Oh, Father, take my hand; and through the throng lead safe along. Thy child!

The cross is heavy, Father! I have borne it long, and still do bear it. Let my worn and fainting spirit rise to that ideal land, and reaching down I end to the crown. Thy child!

BUTTONS.

"Where's Buttons, Mary?" said little Alice Smith, the cash girl in a Fourteenth-street dry goods store to her friend, Mary Simmons.

Mary blushed and looked guilty, although she hastily disclaimed any knowledge of the person alluded to.

"How should I know where he is? I don't even know his name. I can't imagine why you girls are always teasing me about him." And Mary petulantly went on with her work of rearranging the disordered showcase and with feminine tact displaying the newest goods in the most conspicuous places.

But, despite her disclaimer, pretty Mary was thinking more about "Buttons" than she was willing to confess. In fancy she could see his broad shoulders and the half-haughty, half-conscious smile on his face as he appeared before her counter on the previous week. She could tell that by his brown, muscular hand. And besides there was such an honest look in his eyes. She recalled his hesitation, too, when he asked for the buttons, from which the girls had nicknamed him, and Mary argued from his ingenuousness and his respectful manner that he must be entirely different from the young men whom she encountered on her way home at night, and whose bold glances of admiration always made her blush.

A hundred times a day Mary found herself looking down the long store toward the door, expecting and even hoping, although she did not confess the hope to herself, that he would come again. Twice he had been there already, and to tell the truth, he had bought enough buttons to keep him in those useful articles for five years. What he could want with so many buttons was more than Mary could divine.

In anticipation of his coming Mary rearranged and rearranged the buttons in the case. There was an almost endless variety of buttons. China shirt buttons, bone coat buttons, wooden buttons covered with cloth, glass buttons, iris-tinted, reflecting the gas-light in gleaming rays. But not one of these shone so brightly as the eyes which had met hers over the counter for one brief moment and then had been hidden by the long lashes which dropped over them.

The chances of his coming back seemed very small indeed to Mary when she remembered that he had bought two cards of shirt buttons and enough trousers buttons to start a small store.

"I wonder if he is going to sew them on himself?" said Mary to herself, a smile identifying two dimples in her cheeks. "If he does he will have buttons all over him." In fancy Mary could see him sitting in his shirt sleeves with a slender needle between his clumsy thumb and forefinger, trying to fasten a button on his shirt. She could see it all. The compressed lip, the slip of the needle as it stole under his thumb nail, the muttered imprecation; and she laughed at her thoughts in such a merry way that the floor walker censured her, and she resumed her work with a conscious blush.

But the memory of "Buttons" gradually faded from Mary's mind as the weeks went by. He did not put in an appearance again, and as the girls stopped their chaffing there was nothing left for the interest to feed upon. Then came the Anti-Poverty Fair, in which a great many of the girls were interested. Their sympathetic hearts were attracted by the golden hopes of a possible era when all want, all misery, all poverty would be done away by the new theories which were so rife in this city. What comforts, new dresses, unlimited ice cream and peanuts were contained in those magic words "anti-poverty."

And so, urged on by her desire to help the community at large, and perhaps hoping just a little that she was going to be benefited personally by the movement, Mary entered into the fair with all the zeal of a zealot.

She was assigned to take care of a stand containing articles of vertu and bric-a-brac, and in addition to these was an assortment of sleeve buttons, a most beautiful array, made of gold, pearl, onyx, and some inlaid with precious stones.

Every night after the store closed, Mary hastened, sometimes very tired and footsore from standing all day, to Madison-square Garden. There were prettier girls than Mary behind some of the counters,

but none with a more demure and winning manner, none with a more sunny smile or brighter eyes, and so the table over which she presided had no lack of customers.

One night when the band was playing and the bunting shined in the gaslight, Mary looked up and found "Buttons" confronting her. As their eyes met she stammered:—

"Oh, excuse me, miss. I didn't know it was you. I just called around to see if—"

"If what?" said Mary kindly, anxious to relieve his embarrassment.

The young man flinched at the question, and carefully averted his gaze from Mary, for he could feel that she anticipated his want. Then he mustered up courage and blurted out:—

"If you had any buttons!"

Before she could reply he added hastily:— "The fact is that those shirt buttons I bought of you down at the store had small eyes that I could not get the thread through them. It may be that the thread was too coarse. But, confound it all," he continued, his embarrassment melting away before her assuring and sympathetic smile, "I've had to pin my shirt collar together ever since I came to the city. Besides that, you can imagine what a job it is for me to pin one of these stiffly-starched collars around my neck!"

"But I thought gentlemen were in the habit of wearing collar buttons," said Mary, with a reassuring glance.

"So they do here in the city. But when I left Otsego county my mother made me half a dozen new shirts in the old-fashioned way, and perhaps I—I—"

Here he colored up again and Mary came to the rescue with:—

"Of course you like to wear the shirts because your mother made them. I'll tell you how you can do it. Bring the shirts down to the store to-morrow, and I'll get a poor woman to fix button holes in the shirts so that you can use collar buttons."

He stammered out his thanks, and, bewildered by the glamour of the bright eyes which beamed so kindly upon him, he bought a \$3 red velvet album, for which he had no use, and which suggested each time he looked at it as it lay in his bed-room the dainty hands which had wrapped it so deftly in the paper parcel, the string and paper of which he had hidden away in his valise.

Mary was not aware of it, but that night when she boarded a Madison-avenue car to go home, a tall, swarthy young man, with a bundle under his arm, stood by the driver on the front platform. When she alighted at Grand street she was unaware that behind her, dodging along in the shadows, came the young man and the bundle.

How her heart would have fluttered had she known that when she lit the night lamp in her chamber its gleam was watched by a pair of dark eyes in the street below, and that only when a puff of breath from her rosy lips put out the shimmering flame did lingering footsteps die away upon the pavement in the direction of the Bowery.

But the next night found "Buttons" at the fair. This time he brought the shirts with him, and was even bold enough to ask Mary to go to supper with him. But he had not courage enough to ask if he could accompany her home.

Did Mary send the shirts to the poor woman whom she had spoken of? Oh, no; as tired as she was on arriving at home, she sat up until 1.30 making button holes in "Buttons" shirts. And while she was snipping with her scissors, and her needle was flying in and out, her lover was pacing back and forth on the opposite side of the street, his heart on fire with the delirium of love.

Those were pleasant

MONDAY was inauguration day in all the Massachusetts cities.

EMPEROR AUGUSTA, widow of the late Emperor William of Germany, died of influenza at Berlin Tuesday, in her 79th year.

NORTH DAKOTA begins staidhood insolvent, thanks to the shortsightedness of the constitution makers, who tied the hands of the Legislature in revenue and debt matters.

JUDGE KELLEY of Philadelphia, the "Father of the House," who has ably represented that city in Congress for the past thirty years, died at Washington last evening, in his 76th year.

If the theorizing of certain medical authorities is correct, this epidemic of influenza is a precursor of Asiatic cholera next summer. In other words, now la grippe, then la gripe. We prefer the kind with two p's.

The Democratic state committee has injected some new blood into its working force. Josiah Quincy of Quincy having been elected secretary in place of A. B. Alger of Cambridge, and J. H. Sullivan of East Boston treasurer in place of C. D. Lewis of South Framingham.

Now that the supreme court of this state has decided that a person riding on a free pass cannot recover damages for injuries received through any negligence of the railroad company, it is confidently expected that all persons unfortunate enough to be possessed of a pass will at once surrender it rather than assume such a direful risk.

SPEAKER BARRETT has rewarded his friends and punished his opponents in making up the committees of the House, as was to have been expected. Nobody had felt any particular apprehension of a manifestation of statesmanship in this business, though some well-wishers of the party and state had indulged a faint hope that the speaker would rise to a higher plane in his appointments.

The battle of New Orleans was celebrated by the Butler Club's annual dinner at Boston Wednesday evening. Gen. Butler and Corporal Tanner being the principal speakers. Gen. Butler was in a sharply satirical mood, and he made some keen thrusts at ex-President Cleveland, and criticised the Australian ballot law, which he considers a complete and perfect system for defrauding "the poor, ignorant and laboring men" of their votes.

CHICOPEE is indulging in aspirations cityward. Springfield, Chicopee, Holyoke and Northampton, all touching elbows; really, what a galaxy of fine cities will grace the shores of the charming Connecticut when Chicopee dons her municipal robes!—a series of inland metropolises, or metropol, so to speak. And then in the by and by Springfield will sweetly reach out and absorb one or all of them, and make herself in appearance as in reality the metropolis of Western Massachusetts.

THERE is something of local interest in a recent occurrence in the First Presbyterian church of Auburn, N. Y., of which Rev. W. H. Hubbard, formerly of Holyoke, is pastor. He has had trouble with his frivolous choir, and rebuked them publicly during service the other Sunday, and when they still kept on laughing he stopped in the midst of his sermon and dismissed the congregation. The choir has been pretty thoroughly advertised in consequence of his heroic treatment, and if they have any sense of shame they haven't been enjoying life much of late.

The members of the New York "boodler" gang who are yet out of jail will doubtless thank their stars that Col. Fellows is district attorney for that district. His predecessor sent several of the gang to state prison, but when Fellows was elected it was predicted that there would be no more convictions, a prediction justified by the results. He made quite a show of doing something for a time, but allowed matters to drag along until everybody lost their interest in the business, and now announces that he will not go on with the trials as it would be "a waste of public money," as an acquittal or disagreement would surely follow. He is more anxious about the public money than he is about the public morals evidently.

SHORT NEWS NOTES.

Over 2000 scholars are out of the public schools at Boston with the "grippe."

The city building at Lewiston, Me., was burned Tuesday, the loss being \$250,000.

Ira Van Bergen, one of the oldest paper makers in the country, died at Springfield Sunday night.

The doctors who attended the late King of Portugal in his last illness scooped \$60,000 for their services.

John Bassette, the recent murderer of his wife at Ludlow, has been bound over to the grand jury which meets in May.

Secretary Windom suggests that \$2,000,000 of the gold coin in the sub-treasury at San Francisco be transferred to New York.

The number of failures in the United States the past year was larger and the liabilities greater than for any of the past five years.

Edward Church, a 17-years-old boy at Hingham, W. Va., is charged with having poisoned the entire family with "rough on rats."

About 25,000,000 people from various parts of the world visited the Paris exhibition. The number was 12,000,000 in 1875 and 8,000,000 in 1887.

Thomas A. Jones, an employe at the Brooklyn Navy Yard, has recently been discharged because he assisted Booth to escape after the assassination of Lincoln.

One span of an iron bridge in process of building between Holyoke and South Hadley Falls was blown down last Friday, killing one man and injuring two others.

John W. Ryckman and William V. Christie, copartners, doing business as the International maritime exhibition at Boston, have filed a petition in insolvency.

In the year 1889 there were laid in the United States 3500 miles of track, which means an investment of \$106,000,000. It is estimated that Americans abroad in 1889 spent one hundred millions.

An old and wealthy citizen of Hooksett, Pa., was given a ride on a rail Tuesday night around the town by a gang of so-called "regulators," on account of his alleged ill treatment of his young wife.

There are now 65,000 Italians in New York city. Two years ago there were hardly 5000. They are displacing the Irish in a great many employments and a race conflict has already begun. In a year or two the Italians will number 100,000 in the metropolis.

LOCAL NOTICES.

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PALMER AND VICINITY.

Mr. and Mrs. Boynton of Wales are the guests of Mrs. G. F. Sedgwick.

O. B. Sikes has built a large new ice-house at his farm near Four Corners.

J. E. Ferrell has returned from Waterford, Ct., where he has been building a house.

The A. O. U. W. will install its newly-elected officers at Three Rivers, next Tuesday evening.

Prof. W. R. Shipman, D.D., of Tufts college, will preach at St. Paul's Universalist church next Sunday.

The annual meeting of the Congregational parish will be held at the church next Monday evening at 7.30.

The last entertainment in the lecture course was well attended at the Congregational church Tuesday evening.

Frank Tupper is engaged as additional clerk at the post office during the absence of Postmaster Brown by reason of illness.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Palmer National Bank will be held at the banking rooms next Tuesday afternoon.

William Nelson exhibits two eggs, laid by one of his hens on successive days, one weighing 2 1/2 of an ounce and the other 3 1/2 ounces.

The W. C. T. U. will hold its annual meeting in the parlors of the Congregational church next Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

The incorporators of the Palmer Savings Bank will hold their annual meeting at the banking rooms next Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

The Women's Relief Corps has voted to furnish a room in the Soldiers' Home at Chelsea, and has forwarded \$100 for that purpose.

Conductor Francis of the Ware River road has been laid off this week with the "grippe," his train being run by Frank Hamilton.

Louis E. Chandler has bought of L. E. Moore the latter's house on North Main street, near the engine house of the Ware River Railroad.

The operators in the telephone exchange have lately been keeping a record of the number of calls received, and find that they average about 200 per day.

W. E. Ball, an express messenger between New London and Palmer, is laid up with a bad case of blood-poisoning on his hand, resulting from a slight scratch.

J. M. Knox is local agent for a handy little device for holding newspapers, pamphlets, letters, etc., of which Frank A. Ruggles of Three Rivers is the patentee.

The joint installation of the Grand Army Post and Relief Corps officers took place Wednesday evening, at which time the Corps presented the Post with a fine silk flag.

C. M. W. Blanchard, principal of the grammar school in this village last term, has been engaged as principal of a grammar school on the Cape at an increased salary.

District Deputy O'Gara of South Hadley Falls and Grand Chaplain Dargan of Springfield paid a visit to Quabog Council, Royal Arcanum, Tuesday evening. The installation of officers was postponed.

These scholars have been neither absent nor tardy in the second intermediate school during the first month: Ella Bray, Mabel Brooks, Alfred Duncan, Pearl Lawton, Clara Moffatt, Thomas Roach, Herbert Rhodes.

At the district court last Saturday Mattie Gibbons of Monson, for the larceny of a watch and chain, paid fine and costs of \$10.50. On Wednesday John Peterson of Denmark, for vagrancy, was sent up for three months.

Commencing with next Monday the headquarters of all freight engineers and trainmen running between Palmer and Brattleboro will be at Brattleboro. They will run on the "first in first out" plan, the trip being to Palmer and return.

Our Boston correspondent resumes his weekly letters with this issue, and his first letter on the doings of the Legislature will be found in another column. A record of the doings of that body will be given each week as long as it is in session.

G. W. Lyman has this week been moving to Worcester the store-house of the Wright Wire Cloth Co., which he built for them at their mill here about a year ago. He had the structure nearly together again at that city when the wind of Wednesday night laid it flat.

The grippé has steadily increased its hold in town since last week, and the number of victims during the past seven days has probably been fully 500. Several cases have been serious, but none fatal. The doctors are reaping a harvest these times, making from 25 to 60 visits per day.

St. Paul's Sunday-school has made choice of these officers: Superintendent, George Robinson; assistants, A. C. Page and Harry Willard; clerk and treasurer, W. W. Leach; executive committee, George Robinson, William Merriam, Mrs. W. W. Leach, Miss Georgia A. Packard.

These scholars in the first intermediate school have not missed in spelling during the past month: Charles Atkins, Katie Brown, Louis Blair, Kate Buck, Kate Brown, Carrie Bridgman, Lilla Dwyer, Maude Knicker, Forest Whitton, Vera Tryon, Hattie Saunders, George Tracy, May Duffee.

The first of the series of three farmers' institutes will be held at the Weeks House next Tuesday, commencing at 10 a. m. The subject will be the "Treatment of Milch Cows for Profit," and Mr. Hickox of Williamstown, a member of the state board of agriculture, will be present and address the farmers.

One of the oldest inhabitants, who has been troubled with palpitation of the heart, says that the only thing he can find to help him is heart's-case and yarrow, equal parts, to be made into a tea and drunk. He says it is the only thing which has kept him alive, and he wants other afflicted ones to know of the remedy.

These civil entries were made at the district court last Saturday: James Peudergast of Monson vs. George F. Morris and trustee; Monson National Bank vs. John Sedgwick; William Lawton et al. vs. Kate Clifford. Judgment for the plaintiff has been rendered in the case of Hannah Colton vs. Byron W. Charles.

The body of Alonzo H. Parks was brought here for burial Monday from Washington, D. C., where he died suddenly of heart failure last Saturday at the age of 61. He was a native of Palmer, a son of the late Dea. Sylvester Parks, and brother of W. R. Parks. He leaves three children, his wife having died some years ago.

At the parish meeting of St. Paul's society Wednesday evening it was voted unanimously to call Rev. F. J. Albion to the pastorate of the church, and A. H. Willis, C. E. Fish and Mrs. Maria Lawrence were appointed a committee to arrange for the ordination. Mr. Albion will not commence his labors here until about the first of June.

Officer Dawson was called to the house of Edward Welch on Water Street about 4 o'clock Sunday morning because Mrs. Welch objected to the manner in which Edward was throwing the crockery and furniture about, the finish of a Saturday night spree. Edward languished in the "cooler" Sunday, and Monday morning paid fine and costs for drunkenness.

O. P. Allen has moved his drug store from the old stand in Lawrence Block to his new quarters on the corner of Main and Central streets. The room is wide and deep, with handsome cases and counters on each side, the prescription department being across the room at the rear. The finish is in white, with gilt ornamentation, and it is without exception the handsomest store in the place.

Another season Palmer will probably have a hall where entertainments can be held. The Masons have voted to give up their present quarters in the Dewey block as soon as their rooms in the new building shall be ready for them, and then Mr. Dewey proposes to convert the present lodge rooms back into a hall, the same as formerly. The change will be made about next August.

Wednesday night was one of terror for timid people. The wind blew little short of a gale, rocking houses, breaking shutters and windows, and doing considerable damage about the village. A large tree was blown down in the cemetery, wrecking several monuments, and the front of the photograph gallery on Central street was blown off. It would have been an awful night for a fire, but fortunately there was no alarm.

The Masonic and Odd Fellows Building Association directors will soon call an assessment of \$5 per share, and are now considering the idea of urging every member of both organizations to become the owner of at least one share of the capital stock. The entire \$5000 (200 shares of \$25 par value) is already subscribed, and to still further distribute the ownership among the members the four-share subscribers may be asked to relinquish a portion of their subscriptions. To make it easy for all members to take a share, it is probable that the stock may be paid for in equal payments of \$5 per month.

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Commencing next Wednesday, an important change of time will go into effect on the Ware River road. A through freight train will be run between Palmer and Winchendon, and the mixed trains now run between Barre Plains and Winchendon will be made passenger. Trains now leaving Winchendon at 7.35 a. m. and 2.05 p. m. will leave at 8.25 and 3.20, Barre Plains 9.25 and 4.19, Gilbertville 9.49 and 4.39, Ware 9.58 and 4.48, arriving in Palmer at 10.28 a. m. and 6.18 p. m. The train now leaving Palmer at 2.05 p. m. will be held until 3.20, connecting with train leaving New York at 11 a. m., arriving in Winchendon at 5.18 p. m. Trains will be equipped with steam heat.

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A sad accident occurred about noon last Saturday, which resulted in the death of Jared Ward, 19. He and an older brother Albert were hunting, when in going through some brush in Indian field the hammer of Albert's gun caught on a twig and the gun was discharged, the load of buckshot entering Jared's back between the shoulders, causing almost instant death.

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A room is to be added to the top of the old pump shop, which is to be used for making blue-prints.

Rev. Mr. Lambert of Bristol, England, occupied the Congregational pulpit Sunday, Rev. D. O. Clark being unable to officiate on account of an attack of influenza.

Miss Mabel Lewis has been absent from town this week on account of the illness of relatives, and her place has been supplied by Miss Heritage. Miss Shaw has been engaged as teacher of the intermediate grade in the high school building in place of Miss Brown.

MONSON.

F. M. King lost a valuable cow Monday night.

Clothier Jenks has a very interesting show window.

Some of our merchants are busy taking their annual inventory.

There is to be a special service at the Methodist church next Sunday morning.

Mrs. Mary A. Snier has sold her wood lot in Wales to Warren W. Eager for \$275.

Charles Hancock, a member of the Monson Fox Club, downed another fox last Monday.

La grippe is getting quite a strong hold in town, and is increasing daily, instead of decreasing.

The Y. P. S. C. E. of the Methodist church is to have a sea supper on Wednesday evening, Jan. 22.

E. J. Osborn is painting Noble's barn recently erected on the site of the old one burned last September.

James F. O'Connor of Chicopee has accepted a position with H. Hodges & Co. as assistant bookkeeper.

J. R. Gould of Belchertown has leased a part of the north store of Bogan's block, and will open a meat market.

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The evening schools opened Monday morning at the district court room. Oils company's hall, High and South street school houses, and are to hold on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday evenings. Although there were about five hundred who had signified their wish to attend the school, only about two hundred reported on the first evening. This is no doubt accounted for by the prevalence of the grippe in town. The regular day schools have been much affected, about thirty-three per cent of the scholars being out this week.

The Young Men's Bible Class of the East Congregational Sunday-school held its annual meeting at the chapel parlors Tuesday evening and elected the following officers for the coming year: President, Henry A. Smith; vice-president, George E. Tucker; leader, Edwin H. Baker; secretary, William G. Hamilton; treasurer, Fred C. Blood; chairman of social committee, John F. Robinson; chairman of visiting committee, M. P. Brown; chairman of furnishing committee, Frederick O. Rugg. The membership of this class is something above seventy.

Prof. A. D. Morse of Amherst lectured on "Parties" Tuesday evening in the new Hitchcock hall. He prepared the minds of his hearers for a true and just idea of what parties in the political sense are, by an analysis of the "state." He then considered "public opinion," estimating its value very justly, showing its weakness and strength, and touching its limitations. Moving from these points he showed how parties become necessary and desirable, and of great value in carrying on and urging forward the political life of a people. The value of such clear and thoughtful consideration of matters connected with the life of the people is very great, and these lectures appeal to every honestly thoughtful mind. There will be three more, the next one Jan. 21st, when an opportunity may be given for discussion after the lecture.

There has been for a long time much talk by the board of trade and certain individuals of the town, on the establishing of a steam-power building somewhere in the vicinity of the railroad station, which would be an inducement for small manufacturers to come to Ware and locate. Perhaps there has never been so much prospect of this being a reality as at the present time. The manufacturing committee of the board of trade has tried to accomplish this end, but thus far has failed to reach anything very definite. There has been a committee of citizens, represented by H. H. Loomis, which has pushed matters; and on Tuesday obtained the refusal, for three months, of a piece of land of the Demand estate, containing three acres. This place is nearly directly opposite the B. and A. passenger depot, and is the best location that could possibly be found in Ware. Now if there is any interest in the town it ought to slow itself. If this land is taken there will soon be a subscription started for a general fund to carry on this work.

Another Burglary. Saturday morning on opening the store of J. T. Lodge, who recently bought out Weiss, it was found that burglars had been there and made quite a successful haul. The entrance was made at the rear of the store, a ladder being used and the window pried open. Mr. Lodge came here from Chicopee, where he carried an extensive stock of jewelry, some of which he brought to Ware. The goods taken consisted of gold and silver watches, chains, diamond rings, bracelets etc., the total value of which amounted to about \$800. Satisfaction was at once attached to Alphonse Chicoine, who had been about town for some time, and had in years past made himself a reputation as a devious breaker. The police being notified of the facts they at once took measures to apprehend him. His room and the house he had remained at were searched and resulted in the finding of a rifle, revolvers, handcuffs, razors, etc., which were identified by J. B. Sibbey as goods recently stolen from him. They also found a bit corresponding to the one that was used on the rear door of H. A. Smith & Co's. store. But meanwhile Chicoine made himself scarce, and it is thought by some that he left for Canada.

LEGISLATIVE MATTERS.

Boston, Jan. 15, 1899. Thursday witnessed an old-time opening of the doors of the Legislature for the admission of new business. An important rule was reported by the House committee on rules for the purpose of excluding all lobbyists from the floor. It provides that the only persons who shall be admitted are the officials on the state ticket, members of the Senate, persons whose official duties require them to be upon the floor, reporters who have seats assigned in the gallery, and contestants for seats. The order on which this was based was introduced by Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, and he reported the rule.

Many important matters for legislation were introduced Thursday, including several proposed changes of the Australian ballot law. It is proposed to extend it to caucuses and to town elections, to define the sort of an "X" which must be made, and to provide that if it is not in the square, the vote shall not be counted. Other matters were biennial elections and legislative sessions, increasing the number of judges of the superior court, limiting the use of money at elections, and requiring sworn statements of the use of money in getting elections and nominations, and to prohibit the coloring of oleo.

The civil service commissioners presented to the House on Friday their annual report. The three members are now Charles Theodore Russell, Jr., chairman, Arthur Lord of Plymouth and Edward P. Wilbur of Boston. They reaffirm the continued success of the civil service law. Officers who have to do with its enforcement are more than ever convinced of its merits; heads of departments say that it frees them from the importunities of applicants and secures them a far better service. Of 1016 persons appointed during the year ending December 1, 1898, 989 were those who had only a common school education, and only 27 were college graduates. So the college bugbear seems effectively disposed of. Some 80 veterans have been appointed under the soldiers' exemption law, without examination.

Petitions have come in from the towns of Chatham and Provincetown for a change in the tax laws so that personal property may bear its share to the relief of farmers and other real estate holders. It looks as if more of the same sort would be presented.

A line of investigation is offered to the members of the Legislature which is likely to test their abilities as genuine statesmen, rather than mere politicians. It is upon the matter of taxation. This intricate and baffling question has not been before the Legislature since the session of 1881, in any serious form. In that year was enacted, after years of agitation and after stubborn opposition, the law to prevent the double taxation of mortgaged real estate. Efforts were made in 1882 and 1883 to repeal the law, but they were of little force, and since then the problem of taxation has slumbered. Orders have been introduced occasionally, and two years ago the entire tax code was revised, but no change of importance was made. This year the situation is different. The farmers are becoming very restless (not restive) under their burden of taxation, as appeared at the farmers' meeting in the Ploughman hall last Saturday, and they are very earnest in their demand for relief at the hands of the Legislature. Henry George's theories are beginning to work also, and the result is seen in repeated petitions to the Legislature for a radical change in the system of taxation so that the burden shall be on "rental or site value of land," as the petition puts it. The remarkable experience of Connecticut under the law of last year, by which over \$20,000,000 of personal property has been disclosed which the assessors could not find, will attract attention among our legislators. More than this, the tariff agitation, which is said to be spreading more widely every week among the people of Massachusetts, is making people think about our methods of taxation. So there is ample opportunity for a rising and energetic statesman to make his mark in this Legislature by grappling with the problem of taxation.

Several plans are also pending for changing, if not for improving, the Australian ballot law. It is proposed to extend it to town elections (even by next March and April), to all political caucuses and to fire district meetings; to require the use of a rubber stamp and indelible ink in marking the names of the candidates; to forbid the use of the words "Independent Republican," or "Independent Democrat" by those who run on nomination papers, and to restrict them to one word "Independent," and to make a declaration of disability mandatory before the election officers can help a disabled voter. Proposals for further restricting the liquor traffic are coming in, and those officials who do not think they are paid enough are sending in their petitions for an increase of salary.

The labor question is likely to have some prominence this year, perhaps aggravated somewhat by the great lockout in progress at Haverhill. An order has been introduced which proposes to sweep terms to prevent any combination of employers against their workmen, so that the latter shall not be discharged because of membership in any labor organization, nor shall they be compelled, when entering employment, to say that they will not become members of any such organization.

The West End street railway company has put in a petition that it may have leave to build an elevated road in Boston or in any city or town where it may have a location. Last year it beat the elevated road scheme, but having swallowed the elevated syndicate, the boat is now on the other leg. The annual report of the savings bank commissioners is out, and has some very interesting points. It proves that the savings banks are mostly used by the people of small means and not by the wealthy, as has been suspected, also, our people use the savings banks more than the people of any other state in the Union. Cooperative banks are becoming very popular.

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The Excitement Not Over. The rush on the drugstore still continues, and daily scores of people call for a bottle of Kemp's Balsam for the Throat and Lungs for the cure of coughs, colds, bronchitis, whooping-cough, asthma and Consumption. Kemp's Balsam, the standard family remedy, is sold on a guarantee, and never fails to give satisfaction. Price 50c and \$1. Trial size free.

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Card of Thanks. I hereby desire to extend to all my friends my thanks for the many kindnesses extended to me during my past illness of over three months from rheumatism, and I especially desire to tell them that but for Sulphur Bitters I should have been suffering still. May you ever suffer what I have, is the wish of your friend, B. H. TAYLOR.

Advice to Mothers. Are you disturbed at night and broken of your rest by a sick child suffering and crying with pain of cutting teeth? If so, send at once and get a bottle of Mrs. Winslow's SOOTHING SYRUP FOR CHILDREN TEETHING. Its value is incalculable. It will relieve the poor little sufferer immediately. Depend upon it, mothers, there is no other remedy so safe and so sure. It cures the stomach and bowels, cures wind colic, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, and gives tone and energy to the whole system. Mrs. Winslow's SOOTHING SYRUP FOR CHILDREN TEETHING is the best of the oldest and best female nurses and physicians in the United States, and is for sale by all druggists throughout the world. Price 25 cents a bottle.

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MARRIED.

At Wilbraham, 8th, by Rev. M. S. Howard, JOSEPH MCCONVILLE of Chelsea and EMILY P., youngest daughter of the late Edwin B. Brewer.

DIED.

At Palmer, 14th, infant son of A. E. and ANNA BARKLOW. At Palmer, 12th, HARRY R. JONES, 29. At Thorndike, 13th, WILLIAM D. SULLIVAN, 18. At Bondville, 12th, MARY SULLIVAN, 45. At Monson, 14th, ROXANNA HITCHCOCK, 94 yrs., 6 mos. and 23 days. At Monson, 16th, THOMAS CORCORAN. At Brimfield, 13th, LUCY O. GOODALE, 78. At Warren, 11th, CHARLES E. HELLYAR, 37. At Ludlow, 10th, WILLIAM DEMPSEY, 55. At Holland, 12th, WINSTON BUDGETT, 75. At Manchester, Conn., 11th, Mrs. DORACE WHITE, formerly of Monson. At the Gilson House, Cincinnati, O., 13th, of the influenza, CHARLES F., 32, son of Thomas J. Morgan of Brimfield. Services at the town hall in Brimfield to-morrow (Saturday) at 1.30 p. m.

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But that some hand may turn the key,
And, where thou enterest, shalt thou find
Sisters and lovers of thy kind
To bless the passing year.
Not the quick heart, the fruitful mind,
Shall lack sweet comfort and their kind
To bless the passing year.

Is thine the upstart hand and poor,
The hearth unswept, the unlit door?
Oh, without fear!
Pray Heaven once, with force divine,
To smite that unschooled heart of thine—
Through pain or want or sore distress,
To teach sweet pity and redress,
That warm the wintry year.
There is no soul in such distress,
But grief may come to search and bless,
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—Dora Reed Goodale, in *Congregationalist*.

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To run.
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To carve.
To be neat.
To be honest.
To make fires.
To be punctual.
To sew a button.
To do an errand.
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To sing if they can.
To hang up their hats.
To hold their heads erect.
To respect their teacher.
To button their mother's boots.
To help their mother and sister.
To wipe their boots on the mat.
To read aloud when requested.
To cultivate a cheerful temper.
To learn to sew on their own buttons.
To help the boy smaller than themselves.
To speak pleasantly to an old woman.
To put every garment in its proper place.
To remove their hats upon entering a house.
Not to tease boys smaller than themselves.
To keep their finger nails from wearing morning.
To be as kind and helpful to their sisters as to their own boys' sisters.
To close the door quietly, especially when there is a sick person in the house.
To take pride in having their mother and sisters for their best friends.
To treat their mother as politely as if she were a strange lady who did not spend her life in their service.
If they do anything to take their mother into their confidence, and, above all, never to lie about anything they have done.
When their play is over for the day, to wash their faces and hands, brush their hair, and spend the evening in the house.
Not to take the easiest chair in the room and put it directly in front of the fire, and forget to offer it to their mother when she comes in to sit down.
To make up their minds not to learn to smoke, chew, or drink, remembering these things are not easily unlearned, and that they are terrible drawbacks to good men.
Not to grumble or refuse when asked to do some errand which must be done, and which would otherwise take the time of some one who has more to do than themselves.

AMONG THE PARAGRAPHERS.
Here lies the body of Moses Draper,
(Tread softly ye who pass),
Who lived till 60 without a paper,
And then blew out the gas.
—*Campaign Gazette*.

The Kentucky editors are engaged in a spirited discussion as to whether women should kiss each other. Why not? Should not the raw material be free?—*Cincinnati Enquirer*.

Customer—Does the edge improve on a razor by laying it away for a time after honing? Barber—I believe so. Customer—You ought to put that one away for about 2000 years.—*Boston Herald*.

"Where is the gamblers' paradise?" asked the snake editor. "Monte Carlo," replied the horse editor, promptly. "I thought you would say that, but you are wrong. It is the Faroe Islands."—*Pittsburg Chronicle*.

Ethel (copying her musical exercise)—"Mamma, what does 'audante' mean on this music?" "Mamma—'Anne Dauts' is the name of the composer, of course. Her brother wrote a poem called 'Dante's Inferno'."—*Stray*.

Showman—Ladies and gentlemen, I will now proceed to enter the cage of this wild, untamed lion. Intoxicated man—That's nothing, old fel. Just you tackle my (his) wife's mother, and then you can brag.—*Texas Siftings*.

"Before I go," he said in broken tones, "I have one last request to make of you." "Yes, Mr. Sampson?" said she. "When you return my presents, please prepay the express charges. I cannot afford to pay any more on your account."—*Harpers' Bazar*.

Jones—For heaven's sake, Robinson, look here! That boy has broken through the ice. Robinson—So he has! What in the world are we going to do for him, Jones? (To slithering and exhausted boy) Keep cool, bub! keep cool!—*Burlington Free Press*.

Yabsley—I take it for granted, Miss Fyppie, that you are too sensible to follow the silly fashion of tight lacing. Miss Fyppie—I do not see why you should take it for granted, Mr. Yabsley. And he didn't take it for granted any longer.—*Terr Haute Express*.

The Views of a Veteran Chaparone—"Doesn't Mrs. Maxwell believe in coeducation of the sexes?" "Coeducation? I should say not. Why, she believes that a girl ought to be raised so carefully that when she sees a man she will say, 'What is that, mamma?'—*Life*.

Wife (at 3 a.m.)—Cyrus, the baby seems to be asleep at last. Why are you still walking with him? Husband (savourily)—I'm making a record, Emily! Don't bother me—4997, 4998, 4999, 5000! There! Gas dam its little picture! You can take it now!—*Chicago Tribune*.

Teacher—"How do we tell if anything is sweet or sour?" Pupil—"By the sense of taste." Teacher—"And how do you distinguish colors?" Pupil—"By the sense of touch." Teacher—"You can't feel colors, can you?" Pupil—"Yes, don't you sometimes feel blue?"—*Omaha World-Herald*.

"Doesn't it embarrass you to be kissed by your husband before a ear full of people?" "Embarrass me?" replied the lady who was starting off on a journey, as she seated herself in a seat and looked at the questioner. "Did John kiss me when he said good-bye? I declare I didn't notice it. Is my hat on straight, Laura?"—*San Francisco Post*.

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Served him right.—Mr. Layman—"See here, doctor, you said there wasn't any such disease as hydrophobia." Dr. Schmerz (emphatically)—"No, sir, there is not." Mr. Layman—"But old Grubbs got it all the same, and last night he died." Dr. Schmerz (meditatively)—"Well, a man that goes and catches diseases that do not exist ought to die."—*Puck*.

"Mamma, mamma," sobbed a little three-year-old girl, running into the house much offended, "I wish you'd whip the old hen. She won't let me see the chickens. She said I must let her dress, and they all run right under."

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Sat down on a pile of hot collies,
He arose very quick,
And grew awfully "thick,"
And swore the air full of big hollies.
A pretty young damsel of Haverdine
Went out for a stroll in the garden,
She stepped on a flower,
And lashed for an hour,
Saying, "Oh, I am sure I beg pardon!"
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Like garden flowers the little ones grew, Nurtured and trained with the tenderest care, Warmed by love's sunshine, bathed in its dew, They bloomed into beauty, like roses rare.

But one of the boys grew weary one day, And leaving his head on his mother's breast He said, "I am tired and cannot play, Let me sit awhile on your knee and rest."

She cradled him close in her fond embrace, She hushed him to sleep with her sweetest song, And rapturous love still lighted his face When his spirit had journeyed the heavenly throng.

Then the eldest girl with her thoughtful eyes, Who stood where "the brook and the river meet," Stole softly away into Paradise Ere the river had reached her slender feet.

While the father's eyes on the grave were bent, The mother looked upward beyond the skies; "Our treasures," she whispered, "were only lent, Our darlings were angels in earth's disguise."

The years flew by and the children began With longing to think of the world outside; And as each in his turn became a man, The boys proudly went from the father's side.

The girls were women so gentle and fair That lovers were speedily to win; And with orange blossoms in braided hair The old home was left, new homes to begin.

So, one by one, the children have gone, The boys were five and the girls were three; And the big brown house is gloomy and lone, With but two old folks for its company.

They talk to each other about the past, As they sit together at eventide, And say, "All the children we kept at last Are the boys and girls who in childhood died."

MY FRIEND.

I had been traveling all day. I was tired and discouraged, and while the glorious autumn sunset deepened into twilight my thoughts went wandering back to the great city lying behind me,—the city which for two years I had called my home, though a poor sewing-girl, with no relatives and few friends, could know but little of home happiness.

I had entered New York a young girl, with high hopes and strong faith in humanity. I was leaving it a tired and tempted woman—clear-headed, cold-hearted, with no thoughts beyond the one of earning a comfortable living in the far western state to which I was going.

A slight rustic, and the entrance of a train-boy with lights dispelled these gloomy thoughts, and I enjoyed myself for a little while in studying the people about, gradually growing conscious as I did so that I, too, was being closely watched by a person on the next seat, which had been turned in such a way as to bring its occupants face to face with me. Both were men, and the steady scrutiny with which one of them regarded me was anything but pleasant.

The very looks of some men are insulting, and I felt my cheeks tingle under the insolent glances, which seemed to take in every point in my dress, face and personal appearance; and I felt sure, were taking in my unprotected position as well. I was not far wrong in this conjecture, for he leaned forward presently and spoke:

"Young lady, I see you're alone. Will you let me take care of you till we get to M?"

The tone was more offensive than the words, and I sprang up indignant and distressed, resolving to take refuge in another seat which chanced to be empty. But I found this was not so easy. The motion of the train, going at full speed, caused me to reel, and I should have fallen but for the interposition of a friendly arm.

The stranger placed me in the seat I had been trying to reach, and then crossed over to my tormentor. It was not difficult to guess the purport of the conversation which followed from the expression of that individual's face. He looked at first sullen, afterward ashamed, and then arose and left the car.

"My friend," as I mentally termed the stranger who had interfered in my behalf, was a fine-looking man of about thirty-six years, with dark hazel eyes, curly brown hair and the unmistakable air of a gentleman.

How attentive he was to all who needed caring for! And when, at the next station, a heart-broken looking woman, with two small children clinging to her skirts, and a baby in her arms, started to leave the train in obedience to the rough "Come along and don't be all night about it" of her besotted husband, his kindly attention formed a striking contrast to the brutality of their natural protector, who on leaving the cars, started immediately for the nearest rumshying, leaving his wife and children to stand shivering in the darkness, or to find shelter for themselves. They were about to follow the wretch, but "my friend" said:

"Madam, if you are a stranger, let me advise you not to go there. It is not a proper place for you."

She understood and turned her pale, agonized face toward him.

"What shall I do? We are strangers; I know nobody in this place."

"Do not be alarmed, madam. There is a boarding-house near by—that two-story building that you can see just where the lights are gleaming out. It's a respectable place, and—here is Mr. Herald now!"

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With a courageous good night to the sorrowful woman, he was gone. I think the mother's heart shone from her eyes as she looked after him with a fervently uttered "God bless you, sir!"

"Quincy! Fifteen minutes for supper!" cried the brakeman an hour later, as he threw open the door and closed it with a bang.

Instantly all was confusion, while my friend's voice at my side inquired:

"Will you allow me to escort you to supper?"

I thanked him, but declined, saying that I did not care for food.

"Let me persuade you to come and have a cup of coffee, if nothing more. You are tired, and it will refresh you."

He spoke kindly, gently, as a brother might have done, and I knew that some hot coffee would do me good; so I laid my hand on his arm and went with the rest.

At midnight we reached M., where I bade farewell to my kind protector, and repaired to a hotel to wait for morning, and the arrival of Mr. Adams, who resided some six miles outside the city.

Many years before, when Mr. Adams was a poor mechanic and my father a prosperous merchant in a small town in Connecticut, they were very warm friends. Afterward, when success came to him in the fair state of his adoption, and death and poverty to us—when I, the last of my father's family, was compelled to try the needle for my daily bread—this true friend sought me out and wrote, saying he would give me a position as governess to his children, if I desired it, at the same time offering me a home in his family.

It is needless to say that I thankfully accepted both propositions. I did not anticipate any pleasure from the journey, nor from the new life upon which I was to enter when I got to the West. Sorrow, and that pitiful struggle for a mere subsistence which makes so many women in great cities old and hard and stern, had rendered me gloomy and morbid, distrustful of men and women alike. But somehow, after that dreary night ride, which a stranger's thoughtful attention had made pleasant, I sank to rest, weary enough, it is true, but more hopeful than I had been for many days. And the next morning, as I stood before the mirror for a final display of my simple toilet before descending to breakfast, the polished glass reflected a happier face than I had ever expected to wear again. The frosty air was very bracing and healthful; the mellow October sunlight seemed a blessed augury of brighter days in store.

In the general atmosphere of my new home, and the heartsome warmth that surrounded me there, past shadows were almost forgotten. It was pleasant, indeed, to have my wishes consulted and to be treated in all respects as a daughter by Mr. and Mrs. Adams, who could not have received me with more cordiality if I had been in very truth their own child. I was suited with my new employment and my pupils—two girls of ten and eight years and a bright golden-haired boy of six—loved me dearly.

I was surprised to find my friend, whom Mrs. Adams introduced to me as Mr. William Harvey, in the drawing-room one evening when I came down from the school-room. He proved to be a cousin of Mrs. Adams, and a man of considerable wealth. I was glad to see him, and offered my hand as to an old acquaintance. He took it with some courteous words of greeting and a smile that brightened his grave face like sunshine, and for the first time I thought what a handsome man William Harvey was. He talked well, too; in an easy, unembarrassed manner that was irresistibly attractive; and long before the evening was over I owned to myself that I liked him thoroughly.

To my mind no man who is not truly and essentially a gentleman can mingle long in free, social intercourse without betraying that fact in some way. The outside polish may be ever so charming, but some unguarded look or word will inevitably show the coarseness, if it exists. Judged by this test, William Harvey was the truest gentleman I had ever known.

He was an especial favorite with Mr. and Mrs. Adams, and came often to see us; while I—words can never tell what he grew to be to me. Always courteous and friendly, he never flattered me, never sought to monopolize my time or attention, seldom paid me those gallant compliments which younger men were so ready to offer; and yet one glance of his dark eyes was more to me than the highest praise of others.

But I guarded my secret well. I was a woman—too proud to betray my preference for one whom I firmly believed cared nothing for me. This feeling grew too painful at last, and I resolved to go away—out into the world again; and one day, when this passion had died out, I could return to the place and the friends I had learned to love so well.

An opportunity for doing this soon presented itself. An old school-mate of mine, Jennie Richmond by name, with whom I still keep up a correspondence, was the teacher of drawing in a seminary for young ladies in Chicago. Just at this juncture she wrote me, saying:

"I have more pupils than I can possibly attend to. You were a proficient in the old days when we were room-mates at Miss Abbott's, and I should be delighted to have you for an assistant. Will you come?"

A letter of acceptance was written and dispatched, and I prepared to leave the only place in the world that seemed to me like home. As I was engaged in packing my trunk, a murmur of voices came from the parlor where Mr. and Mrs. Adams were seated. I knew they were talking about the strange lady whom the stage driver had left at our door a few hours before, saying that his passenger was too ill to proceed any further. A well-bred, lady-like woman she seemed. Beautiful, too, in spite of the deathly pallor of her face and a few lines of care about the otherwise perfect mouth.

A doctor was immediately summoned, who decided that his patient was laboring under some intense mental excitement, and prescribed absolute quiet and powerful sedatives as the best means of preventing the fever which he feared might supervene.

She was asleep at last; and after softly closing the door of communication between her chamber and the sitting-room I proceeded to answer a knock, which I felt sure

announced the coming of William Harvey. I was not mistaken. The man I so longed yet dreaded to see stood before me, holding my hand as he inquired after my own health and that of my friends, adding, with a glance at my trunks, which were packed and corded—

"It is true, then, that you are going away?"

"I believe it is," I replied, smiling up into his face, that he might not guess what it cost me to say it.

"And you were going without letting me know. Was that kind of my little friend?"

I did not speak, and he encircled my waist with his arm and drew me to a low seat beside him. I did not resist; I could not. Everything was forgotten in the thought that we were to part, and I might never see him again.

"When are you coming back?" he asked.

"I cannot tell. It is very probable that I shall never return."

I felt—God forgive me! as if those words were setting a seal to all my happiness in this world and the world to come.

"You will be a happy wife, perhaps, before we meet again, with no room in your heart for those who love you here."

His voice was low and sad. I had not thought he cared so much for me.

"Why do you say that?" I asked.

"Because you are just the woman to make the happiness of some good man like me; but, my child, no one will ever know how hard it is for me to give you up."

"Why are you doing it, then?"

He drew me suddenly close to his heart, and kissed me passionately.

"God bless you for these words, my darling! And yet I have no right to hear them. If you knew all—"

"Tell me," I whispered.

He told me, and with my head on his shoulder and my arm about his neck, that he might know how fully I trusted him, I listened with breathless interest while he told me of the fair young wife he had wooed and won in his early manhood, and who, after one short year of wedded life, brought ruin on herself and dishonor on her husband by eloping with a villain.

There was murder in the injured man's heart when he discovered it, and for weeks he followed on the track of the fugitives. Tracing them to New Orleans he arrived there only to learn that his wife's paramour was dead—swept off by that fearful scourge, yellow fever—while she had disappeared.

"I could not go back," said William, in conclusion, "to meet the hollow sympathy of my friends and the open sneers of others, even though the disgrace which had fallen on my name was caused by no act of mine. So I became a wanderer. For years I have been travelling up and down the world—anywhere, everywhere, for change of scene and occupation; always seeking rest and finding none, till I met you—"

"William, my husband?"

It was a woman's voice, sharp with suffering, which interrupted the unfinished sentence, and the strange lady knelt at William's feet, her large black eyes luminous with a deathless love, her white hands clasped in prayerful entreaty.

"I have sinned against heaven and against you, husband, but my punishment has been very, very bitter. I do not ask for a wife's place—I have forfeited all right to that; but oh, William, I have waited twelve years for your forgiveness. Will you refuse it now?"

The last words died away in a whisper. She had fainted.

Slowly, mechanically, like one in a dream, he lifted and carried her to a lounge; but his face was whiter than hers as he turned hastily to me saying—

"God pity us both!"

William Harvey took his wife away that night, and the next day I started for Chicago.

More than twelve months had passed away, and I had grown so accustomed to the routine of my life at the seminary that I had almost forgotten that there was any other. Mrs. Adams corresponded with me occasionally, but not a word had I heard of William Harvey and his wife, and I had never inquired about them.

One day I received a letter from Mrs. Adams.

"William Harvey," she wrote, "has returned from Europe, and has been inquiring for you. His wife died a few weeks after he took her home, you know—though he took the best care of her—and he left here for Europe soon after her death."

I had scarcely finished reading my letter when a servant rapped at my door and announced—

"A gentleman in the reception room to see you, miss."

I went down immediately, and as I entered William Harvey came forward to meet me.

"My darling," he said, "nothing stands between us now. Will you come to me—do you think you can love an old man like me well enough to be his wife?"

I answered him by placing both hands in his. And so the clouds that had overshadowed my life passed away, and peace and happiness came to dwell with me once more.

Said a man to his bosom friend who was about to get married: "I suppose I ought to wish you both much happiness; but as I don't know the bride, I cannot congratulate you. On the other hand, as I know you only too well, I cannot congratulate the bride."—*El Peru Illustrated.*

If a man wants to see how quick an office boy steps when he is going to the post office, he will watch the sloth at the Dime Museum. If he would know how

The Journal.

FRIDAY EVENING, JANUARY 24, 1890.

Ohio compliments Massachusetts by introducing in her Legislature an Australian ballot bill which is a copy of our law.

Winter caravals are at a discount this year. Montreal, even, has given up hers for lack of cooperation on the part of Dame Nature.

The House at Washington has voted not to reimburse the members who lost their salaries by the Silcott defalcation in the sergeant-at-arms' office.

The canvass for a national flower has resulted in a large majority for the golden-rod, seventy per cent of the votes cast being in favor of this handsome flower.

President Harrison says Massachusetts has given him less trouble in the matter of patronage than any other state. Of course, for aren't we all civil service reformers?

The secretary of the relief commission reports that the number of lives now estimated to have been lost in the Johnstown flood is 2280, the number of bodies recovered being 1675, while 605 are missing. The total relief fund amounts to \$2,902,072.

"Who cares what the politicians want?" asks the Springfield *Homestead*. Why, everybody, of course, for ain't it the people who keep the politicians in power, elect the candidates they set up, and follow their bidding generally? The real question is, Who cares what the people want?

A Proposition has been introduced into the Legislature to increase the governor's salary from \$5000 to \$10,000. And for what? We have never lacked for governors at the present salary, and none of them have gone from the state house to the poor house. Better let well enough alone.

J. E. Williams, editor of the *Amherst Record*, died suddenly last Saturday afternoon of neuritis of the heart. He had partially recovered from an attack of the prevailing influenza, but went out too soon, and was taken with neuritis. He was but 37 years old, and had been editor and proprietor of the *Record* for ten years. He was a bright, active and genial man, had been prominent in temperance and grange work, and will be greatly missed in the community. He leaves a widow and one child.

Excubance of feeling is natural to youth, and it was quite the natural thing therefore for the Legislature of South Dakota to celebrate the passage of the first bill the other day by adjourning for five minutes and giving vent to their delight in loud cheering, after which the two houses gathered in joint assembly and the chaplain devoutly offered thanks. After a few years the people will feel differently, and doubtless would feel like giving thanks if they could only shut off the law-making for a time.

JOHN KUNZE, the German who was sent to the penitentiary for three years for complicity in the murder of Dr. Cronin of Chicago, has been granted a new trial, and is out on \$5000 bail, furnished by a dime museum manager, in return for which Kunze will go on exhibition at the museum. Now let the museum manager secure the three other partners in the crime who were imprisoned for life, and exhibit them in a strong cage, with the mutilated body of the murdered physician alongside, and he would have a chamber of horrors which should satisfy the most depraved taste.

MEXICAN counterfeiters are reported to have been doing a big business in coining United States silver dollars and disposing of them in Mexico, from whence they have come over the border in payment of goods bought in this country. It is estimated that they have put at least 5,000,000 illegal dollars into circulation, and the joke of it is that they are just as good as the genuine article, 72 cents' worth of bullion being used in each dollar. It is a fresh illustration of the beauty of making a coin so cheap that counterfeiters can afford to make one intrinsically as good and yet realize a handsome profit on it.

There is much to commend in the suggestion of Representative Gilman of Newton, who has introduced an order instructing the judiciary committee to consider the expediency of providing by law that the secretary of state be authorized to furnish state officers, including members of the Legislature, with passes good on all railroads in the state, for use in the performance of their official duties. Something of this kind would be a vast improvement on the present system, which places the legislators under obligation to the railroads. But it would hardly seem advisable to make the passes good for a year on all railroads in the state. Such a provision would pave the way for a vast amount of "official" pleasure travel.

There has been a serious snow blockade on the Central and Union Pacific railroads the past week, and trains have been blocked for several days in the Sierras. In some places telegraph poles 35 feet high were buried under the drifts. Fifteen feet of snow on a level is reported in Oregon, and several persons and thousands of cattle and sheep are said to have perished in Washington.

Of the 76,000 paupers in the New York state almshouses 47,000 are of foreign birth, while a good proportion of the others are undoubtedly of foreign parentage.

Mrs. Joseph Daniels, a Swedish woman of 30, was fatally burned at Mittineague Wednesday evening by the overturning of a lamp which set her clothes on fire.

The were 20,420 patents granted in the United States last year, while England granted only 9779 and Germany 3291.

George Comstock and wife, both deaf, were killed by the cars at a grade crossing in Milton, Ct., yesterday.

Adam Forepaugh, the veteran showman and the only rival of P. T. Barnum, died at Philadelphia yesterday.

LOCAL NOTICES.

English lemon pool at Smith & Co's. Ask for Brussels soap and take no other. Chase & Sanborn's coffee at Smith & Co's. Broken candy, fresh to-day, at Smith & Co's. Live fish bait—clubs and shiners—at Hatch's. Brussels soap is gradually driving all others out of the market.

Shelly oysters, shell clams, live lobsters, at Hatch's. Money loaned on personal security. S. H. Hellyar.

Gent's Hand Sewed Boots and Shoes for sale at F. M. Eager's.

At the present rate Brussels soap will soon drive all others out of the market.

For sale cheap—two yoke of working oxen and three car horses, two of them cheap ones. Inquire at Alexander's brick yard, West Brimfield.

People are getting tired of the cheap, sticky, restorative soups, and we don't blame them. Brussels soap is taking their place.

PALMER AND VICINITY.

Mrs. D. O. Taplin is quite ill with pneumonia.

F. F. Marcy starts this evening for a 10-day trip to Pennsylvania.

Ellis Dodge is drawing lumber for his new house on Park street.

Jacob Lacouire is building an addition to his house on Park street.

Miss Minnie Gardner of New London is the guest of Mrs. J. C. Wing.

Splendid ice weather the last few days. Hope it will continue a while longer.

The river was closed with ice yesterday morning for the first time this season.

The officers of Quabog Council, Royal Arcanum, were installed Tuesday evening.

Pussy-willow blossoms were picked yesterday afternoon. Rather early—or late, which?

Preparations are progressing fluently for the fair of the Woman's Relief Corps, February 22.

The annual sale of pews in the Congregational church will take place next Tuesday evening.

The Patterson Club will hold a meeting next Wednesday evening at the residence of C. E. Fish.

Mrs. G. H. Wilkins was called to Wrentham, on Monday by the sudden death of a brother-in-law.

Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Sistrer occupied their old place in the Congregational church choir last Sunday.

Mrs. Lou French of New Haven has been the guest of her mother, Mrs. Albert Loomis, this week.

Rev. J. F. Albion, pastor-elect, will occupy the pulpit at St. Paul's Universalist church next Sunday.

The Golden Rule Alliance held a special meeting with G. F. Brown on Foster avenue Tuesday evening.

By the will of the late Mrs. A. C. Merrick of this place, the Congregational society receives the sum of \$100.

The small boy has enjoyed a few days of skating on the small ponds and overflowed places of the river this week.

Harwood & Allen, liverymen, lost a horse at Tenneyville last Saturday, the animal breaking its leg on the rough frozen ground.

Fred G. Leach has moved back to Palmer from Springfield, and is employed at the Smith shoddy mill, just across the line in Monson.

The probate court has given leave to James M. and Abbie J. Dimmick of Wales to adopt Geneva Willis of Palmer, with change of name.

Commencing with Christmas week A. J. and H. A. Northrop have plowed more or less every week up to the present, a record not equalled in many years past.

Mrs. Mary E. Taft has been chosen delegate to the annual convention of the Mass. Dept. of the Woman's Relief Corps, to be held at Boston February 5 and 6.

Deputy Sheriff Hesley is building a two-story house on his recently-purchased lot on Park street. F. F. Marcy has the contract, the price being about \$2500.

There will be a free lecture on health, by William F. Seaver, at the house of C. D. Capen on Park street, every Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock until further notice.

As Rev. H. W. Pope was suffering from an attack of the gripe last Sunday, his pulpit in the Congregational church was occupied by Rev. George Griffin of Springfield.

At the annual meeting of the Masonic Mutual Relief Association of Springfield George Robinson of this place was chosen one of the directors, the term of office being for three years.

Rev. Mr. Higgins of Westfield, who was to conduct special meetings at the Baptist church this week, was taken suddenly sick and was unable to come, the meetings being postponed in consequence.

Elder H. K. Flagg of Springfield will preach at the Advent chapel next Sunday. He will also conduct Bible readings the three following evenings, free to all, and in which all may participate.

C. E. Dewey has sold to L. E. Moore 53 acres of land back of his recently-purchased property at Blanchardville. The place was originally timber, but has lately been cleared by D. W. Studley.

The Second Presbyterian church at Newark, N. J., to which Rev. Pleasant Hunter, formerly of Palmer, recently accepted a call, finds that its church building is too small, and will enlarge it.

These civil cases were entered at the district court last Saturday: Michael Hines against Horace Moulton and others; J. K. Smith against Peter B. Johnson; A. H. Danforth against George M. Stewart.

O. W. Studley has bought of C. E. Dewey 50 acres of wood-land in the east part of the town, lying west and north of the Maloney farm, and including the strip at the head of Walnut street in this village.

Samuel W. Swift will sell at auction a number of choice horses and cows, with crops, wagons, farming tools, household furniture, etc., next Wednesday at 10 a. m., on his farm on the road to North Wilbraham.

Travel on the railroads has not been so light at any time for years as it is now. Almost everybody has the gripe, and those who haven't stay at home rather than run the risk of being taken with it in a strange place.

Miss Alice Crawford, daughter of Mr. Jeannette W. Crawford, formerly of Palmer, is a member of the company which supports Mme. Jauauschek in "Lady Macbeth," playing the part of the Third Witch.

The marriage of W. W. Evans of Thorndike and Miss Maggie Sullivan of Uxbridge, recently of Palmer, is to take place quietly at the residence of the bride's cousin, Rev. T. J. Sullivan, in Uxbridge some time this month.

The charter of the Masonic and Old Fellows Building Association has arrived, and subscribers to the capital stock have been called upon for the first payment on their stock, which the directors have voted to have paid in monthly installments of \$5 each.

By vote of the town, if taxes are not paid on or before the first day of February the collector is obliged to levy on the property of the delinquent. He has posted notices to that effect, and warns all that he shall show no favor after the last day of grace.

It behooves all who may be afflicted with the gripe to use extra precaution on their recovery from the malady, and not unduly expose themselves to the sudden changes of the weather. Persons who are afflicted with throat or lung troubles need to use extra precaution, as the most of the deaths are among this class.

H. N. Sedgwick has been laid up this week with the gripe. E. L. Davis had nearly recovered when he caught cold last Saturday night and has been worse off this week than before. A. L. Hills has also had a slight attack, his place in the ticket office at the station being taken by Ed. Phetteplace of the freight house.

Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Hitchcock left Tuesday for South Carolina, where they intend to remain until warm weather. Mr. Hitchcock is interested in a new health resort there, Salley's, in Aiken county, which he believes to be far superior to Aiken or Thomasville for those who suffer with bronchial or lung troubles.

The house on the Upham place at Blanchardville, recently purchased by L. E. Moore, is being moved to its new location east of the barn. F. F. Marcy has the contract to build a new house on the site of the old one, the new structure to be of practically the same arrangement as the one now occupied by Mr. Moore.

The selectmen and board of health met in joint convention at the selectmen's room last Saturday to elect two members to vacancies on the latter board. They had a hard time to do it. No one wanted the job. They telephoned here and there to the different villages, and finally made choice of Enos Calkins of Palmer and Thomas J. Moran of Thorndike.

The thirty-seventh annual report of the Eastern Hartford Agricultural Society is ready for delivery, and copies can be had of the secretary, O. P. Allen. The report shows that \$863.65 was awarded for premiums at the fair last fall. The total receipts for the year were \$1715.86, and the expenses \$1800.54, leaving a deficit of \$84.68. The society owns property to the value of \$890.32.

Several members of the Royal Arcanum attended at Springfield, Wednesday evening, the convention of the Western Massachusetts councils, held with Equity Council. After the exercises a banquet was served at the Vendome. Owing to a misunderstanding the Palmer delegates did not reach home until the Adams express at 3 yesterday morning. The order has now 1239 counsils with 98,000 members, there being in Massachusetts 129 counsils and 11,850 members.

Judging from the state of the town's pocket-book there are a good many who have not yet paid their taxes for 1889. There have been no unusual expenses since last March, in fact they have been light in some ways which usually call for a good round sum each year, yet there is no money in the treasury with which to pay bills, and some holders of orders drawn some time since have been unable to get the money on them. Evidently there must be a large sum due the town.

Mr. E. G. Scott died Wednesday at the house of O. P. Allen after a lingering illness. He was a native of Vernon, Vt., where he lived until about one year ago, when he removed to Palmer on account of failing health. He leaves a wife, a son, J. E. Scott of Chicago, and two daughters, Mrs. Charles W. Smead of Greenfield and Mrs. O. P. Allen of this place. The funeral will be held at the residence of O. P. Allen at 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon, the remains being taken to Vernon, Vt., on Monday.

Wilbur F. Miller of Ludlow, leader of the chorus choir at the Congregational church, has been connected with church choirs more than thirty-three years, this being the twenty-fifth year he has led a choir. During this time he has traveled over 13,000 miles to sing on Sunday. The first of April finishes four years of leading the Congregational choir in Palmer, and next year he will have charge of the singing in one of the Springfield churches. Mr. Miller says that the last four years have been the pleasantest of his long experience, and that the choir here has been the easiest to get along with of any chorus choir he ever handled.

Dr. J. P. Lynde of Athol, father of Druggist J. P. Lynde of Palmer, died at his home Tuesday morning. He was taken with pneumonia about a week before he died, but was so worn out with extra work and care occasioned by the prevailing epidemic that he was unable to withstand the disease. Dr. Lynde was a prominent citizen of Athol and well known throughout the state, having been an active member of the state board of agriculture, and a prominent speaker at farmers' and political gatherings. He was one of the school committee of the place, and superintendent of schools for years, besides holding many other offices of trust and importance. Besides the son here, he leaves a wife and daughter at Athol.

WEST WARREN.

Charles Cutler's family were all sick at one time with the gripe.

Miss Mary Rooney is very sick with la gripe at the house of J. B. Lombard.

A large force of men is employed clearing away the debris from the burnt district.

The Ladies' Circle of the M. E. church met with Mrs. Webber at the parsonage this week.

The West Warren base ball club give a dramatic entertainment and social dance in Washington hall this evening.

LUDLOW.

The birthday of Robert Burns, Scotland's national poet, will be observed at Joy's Hall to-morrow evening at 6.30, when Rev. G. W. Christie of Three Rivers will lecture on "The Poet Burns." Selections from the poet's works, and some of his favorite songs will be given.

The house of Charles Fuller was burned between 9 and 10 o'clock Sunday evening, with all the contents. The family was away from home, and arrived too late to save anything. The loss was \$2500, only partially insured. Mr. Fuller's barn was burned about a year ago and had just been rebuilt.

WALTON.

Miss Ellen Isgear of Millbury is visiting in town.

Miss Rena Potter has gone to Medford to work in the straw shop.

E. Shaw has been confined to his house for a week with the prevailing disease.

Lizzie Kline, Belle Brooks and Cora Dimmick, teachers in the schools, are all out with the gripe, and a score of others are afflicted with the disease.

Prof. C. C. Smith has gone to Detroit, Mich., to be treated by his nephew, Dr. Eugene Smith, one of the most noted eye specialists in the United States.

William H. Lathrop was thrown from his road cart last Friday and received severe internal injuries. He has been confined to his room since the accident, but is slowly recovering.

WILBRAHAM.

Ah! Eddy is suffering from a stroke of paralysis.

"Pieria" gives an open session in Fisk Hall this evening.

The Willing Workers met yesterday afternoon with Miss Carrie Moody.

Clifford Moody received a severe cut with a skate on the pond last Saturday.

Rev. Mr. Morgan received a painful accident while chopping last Saturday.

Miss Alice E. Alexander has secured a position in the Housatonic Valley Institute at Cornwall, Ct., as teacher of art.

The Farmers' Club will meet in the Glendale church next Monday evening to discuss the question, "Which is the more profitable to the farmer, the Farmers' Club or the Grange?" Benjamin F. Green and Francis E. Clarke are the leaders.

BRIMFIELD.

D. L. Griggs offers \$200 reward in another column.

The primary department of the center school is closed by order of his majesty, la gripe.

No fatalities have occurred in Brimfield from the gripe, but a large number have been afflicted, and many are still suffering from the disease.

Timothy W. Carter, a native of this place, died at his home in Chicopee Falls Wednesday morning. Mr. Carter was born July 2, 1809, moving to Chicopee Falls when 16.

Henry F. Brown, executor, will sell a large quantity of crops, wagons, farming tools, household furniture, etc., on the premises of the late William and Olive Foskett next Wednesday at 9 a. m.

The funeral services of Charles Morgan, son of Thomas Morgan, were conducted by Rev. W. K. Peirce at the town hall Saturday afternoon, music being furnished by the choir of the Second church. The floral offerings were beautiful and numerous. Mr. Morgan had for some years been a commercial traveler for a firm in Blughampton, N. Y., and succumbed to pneumonia caused by la gripe. He was affable and generous by nature, and made friends wherever he went.

BELCHERTOWN.

F. A. Prouty will give up his harness shop on Main street and move out of town, the work here not being sufficient to support him.

E. R. Bridgman has been appointed postmaster in place of W. E. Bridgman. There was general satisfaction with the present postmaster; but he was a Democrat, and for cause had to go; if a change must have been made many hoped that G. W. Longley, a former incumbent, would get the place. Mrs. Smith, who for some time past has lived with her sister, Mrs. Henry Knowlton, died suddenly Monday night. She had been ill for some time, but had improved, and was able to be up and about the house. Soon after she went to her room Monday night a fall was heard, and on investigation she was found on the floor, dead.

Abner H. Randall, youngest son of the late Chester Randall, died at his home in the west part of the town Tuesday night of pneumonia, caused by the gripe. He was about 50 years old, and for many years has been an earnest worker in the Methodist church. Two sons and three daughters survive him. This makes three times that death has entered this household since December of last year. The wife and mother died first, after a long illness; eight days later her father, the grandfather, died; two weeks later the father was taken sick, and died after 16 days of illness.

THORNDIKE.

Charles Page and family of Springfield are visiting his father.

Miss Mabel Walker is recovering from an attack of diphtheria.

Thomas J. Moran has been appointed a member of the board of health.

"La Gripe" seems to be gradually leaving us. "Speed, oh speed the parting guest." There will be no vesper service at the Catholic church on Sundays until Lent commences.

Dennis Danahy has gone to Greenville, N. H., to work for Agent W. C. Greene, formerly of this place.

There seem to be no new cases of the gripe reported this week, and those now sick are on the road to recovery.

The cold weather of the past few days has been what we needed to make good ice, but the sad calamity which occurred so

near us last week has taken away from many of our young people the desire for skating.

John Miller of Palmer and Miss Annie Loftus of this place were married on Wednesday, and a reception was held at the house of the bride on Commercial street in the evening. Rev. Father Lynch performed the ceremony.

Fell Down an Elevator Well.

Cora Farkey, a young girl employed in the spinning department of the No. 1 mill, fell twelve feet down the elevator shaft last week Thursday afternoon. The elevator is supplied with self-closing hatches, but after it had passed this floor for some reason one half refused to work and remained open. On account of the automatic hatches there is no rail around the elevator way, and the girl, who was fooling with some of her companions, stepped backward away from them and fell through. She was taken to her home and for several days remained unconscious, but Wednesday she opened her eyes, smiled and spoke, and is now getting along well, and will probably fully recover. It is reported that her parents will sue the Thorndike Company for \$8000 damages.

THREE RIVERS.

Rev. G. W. Christie expects to give his lecture on Robert Burns at Ludlow next Saturday evening.

The Quabog literary society has elected the following officers: F. A. Brown, president; A. W. Smith, vice president; Herbert Barker, secretary and treasurer.

District Deputy S. S. Symonds of Salem will install the officers of Palmer Lodge, 69, A. O. U. W., next Tuesday evening. A collation will be served after the installation.

A. W. Green has sold to Dr. Sirols a three cornered strip of land at the junction of the roads leading to Thorndike and the Sikes place. The doctor proposes to erect a residence thereon the coming summer.

At the annual meeting of the Union Evangelical church Tuesday evening the following officers were elected: O. B. Sikes, deacon for two years; C. W. Eaton, clerk; S. B. Barnes, treasurer; standing committee, Rev. G. W. Christie, R. C. Newell, O. B. Sikes, C. W. Eaton, John Russell, Albert Geer, E. F. Shaw, John Wilson, P. A. Forte.

Tuesday morning while settling with a peddler, Mrs. Annie Rochford of the Riverside Hotel left a small satchel containing a large sum of money on a table in the parlor for a few moments. On her return she counted the money and found a \$20 bill missing. She at once suspected Amanda Briere and Alena Nodeau, two mill girls of 16 and 18, who were in the room when she left it. They were arrested on the street and the Briere girl caught trying to hide the bill in her stocking. At the district court in Palmer the next morning she pleaded guilty and was fined \$15.00, but was unable to secure the amount and was sent to Sherborn for a year. The Nodeau girl proved her lack of knowledge of the affair, and was released after a few words of good advice from Judge Robinson.

BONDVILLE.

Mrs. William Thayer has charge of the school formerly taught by Miss Spooner.

A Sad Drowning Accident.

This village was thrown into a state of excitement and gloom last Saturday afternoon by the announcement that Miss Agnes I. Spooner, the popular teacher of the second primary school, had been drowned in the reservoir of the Boston Duck Co.

There were quite a number of skaters on the pond, among them being Miss Spooner, Miss Nellie Jackson, teacher of the first primary school, T. K. McAllister of Whitinsville, teacher of the grammar school and Otis W. Sedgwick, a Wilbraham Academy student. Miss Spooner was a good skater and very fond of the sport. At the time of the accident she was skating with Sedgwick, when suddenly the ice broke and they were soon struggling in the water at probably the deepest spot in the pond, which is quite shallow except in the middle. Hearing their cries, McAllister and Miss Jackson, who were on the opposite side of the reservoir, hurried to their rescue, and McAllister jumped in to hold Miss Spooner up. At this time Sedgwick became exhausted, and Miss Jackson, who is a fine swimmer, jumped in to save him, and succeeded in getting him out, but this so exhausted her that she had to be pulled out. Some boys obtained a plank and put it across the hole, and McAllister got Miss Spooner upon it, but the ice broke and she went under the ice, McAllister being pulled out with difficulty.

Meantime help had been summoned from the steam shovel on the Massachusetts Central Railroad near by, and Michael O'Brien plunged into the water and brought out the body of Miss Spooner, which was taken at once to the residence of Agent Getchell. Willing hands labored earnestly to resuscitate her, and Drs. Holbrook and Smith were summoned, but without avail, and life was probably extinct before the recovery of the body. Her watch stopped at 2.52. Her only near relatives are a mother and brother, who were summoned by telegraph, and arrived about 3 o'clock Sunday morning, accompanied from Palmer by Mr. Getchell at 4 p. m. on Sunday, conducted by Rev. E. W. Virgin, and the body was taken to Palmer Monday morning and thence by train to Ashland, where further services were held on Wednesday. A Sunday-school memorial service will be held at 6 o'clock next Sunday evening in the Methodist church.

A purse is being raised for O'Brien, this being the ninth person he has rescued from the water, all the others being taken out alive.

WARREN.

Mrs. Newell Shepard is visiting friends in Rome, N. Y.

The Round Table met with Mrs. Jenks Wednesday morning.

Miss Edith Chadsey has been visiting friends in Providence.

"Lead a hand" workers met in the church parlors this afternoon.

The Tuesday Club met with Mrs. William Lincoln Tuesday afternoon.

Lyman Powers has been visiting his daughter, Mrs. Barnes, at Fitchburg.

The annual meeting of the Warren Savings Bank will be held next Monday.

The Universalist ladies gave one of their excellent suppers last Friday evening.

Mrs. Charles More and daughter have been stopping at J. W. Chadsey's for a few days.

Mr. Page of Leicester Academy was in town last Friday and called on some of his old pupils.

The Misses Holman, teachers, have been called home on account of the illness of their father.

The body of Mrs. P. Dugan of Holyoke, mother of Phillip and Patrick Dugan, was brought to town for burial last week. There have been 151 births, 50 marriages and 74 deaths in town during the past year. Among the deaths of elderly persons were Capt. James S. Davis, 90 years and seven months; Honora Connor, 90; Franklin Drury, 89; Nancy M. Fosket, 88; Rebecca Combs, 86; Sullivan Comee, 84; Sarah Pierce, 83; Pamela A. Bliss, 81; and Daniel Bowdoin, 81.

The six-days three-hours-a-day race of the Warren Athletic Club, which commences February 24, promises to be unusually exciting and contain a large field of evenly matched runners. West Warren sports are backing Dan Malone of Springfield, while Warren sports are interested in Mason of Palmer, who if properly cared for they think will make a good showing. The entries close Jan. 30.

These officers of the Royal Arcanum were installed Monday evening by District Deputy O'Garra: Regent, Frank S. Lyman; vice regent, Edward L. Foskit; past regent, Charles L. Smith; orator, Fred L. Abbee; chaplain, Edward Price; guide, Herbert D. Underwood; clerk, Elmer E. Clark; collector, George D. Tarbell; treasurer, George D. Tarbell; treasurer, George Bliss; secretary, Charles Sherman; warden, Joseph E. Fenner.

At the annual meeting of the Congregational church the following officers were elected: Clerk and treasurer, J. W. Manly; prudential committee, Rev. D. O. Clark, Dea. F. Gleason, C. H. Walker, M. K. Whipple, A. L. Converse, Dea. W. P. Robbins, J. W. Chadsey, W. H. Warren, Edward Ayer; auditing committee, Dr. J. W. Hastings, A. L. Converse, J. Moody; Dea. Robbins was chosen for another term. Twelve persons have united by profession, and twelve by letter, eighteen persons have removed their relationship to other churches and three have died; the amount raised for missionary purposes was \$1618.

MONSON.

Several parties are on the trail for the brush to-day.

The gripe has subdued somewhat during the past week.

Norcross Bros. sold seven tons of grain one day this week. Dull times!

A flock of wild geese was seen flying over the town toward the north on Monday. L. C. and Rufus Flynt caught a handsome string of 17 pickerel through the ice yesterday.

State inspector of buildings Duxton has been in town this week, examining buildings.

L. M.

Chapel Tuesday evening. The first part of the evening was spent in a social chat, after which the company were entertained by humorous readings by S. H. Bowen, and singing. At the conclusion of this all were taken to the dining-room below, where eighty-two sat down to a beautiful collation, after which Rev. A. T. Perry gave a short address of welcome, which was pleasantly responded to by Rev. C. M. Hall, followed by a few words from H. P. Cummings, H. F. Billings, E. H. Baker, H. A. Smith, W. G. Hamilton and H. B. Anderson, with reference to the occasion which had called them together, and the significance of the same as indicating the drift of the times toward that union of Christians which it is the earnest desire of all to see. The evening's exercises were concluded by the appointing of a committee to devise means for the suppression of the liquor traffic in our town. This committee to report at a meeting of a similar character inside of ten days or two weeks. Though the temperance feature of the evening was entirely unplanned and unexpected, all felt that it was well that this feeling of union and earnest desire for good works should crystallize in this manner. The meeting adjourned with the conviction by all that it was good to be there.

A Few Facts.
Mr. Edwin H. Baker, agent of the Otis Company, makes the following statement as an answer to a question about which there has been much local interest the past week or two: "The reports which have been sent out from Ware to various newspapers in the past few days in effect that 'a certain corporation,' or that 'the agent of the largest corporation here,' had interposed influence which had defeated a project of certain 'prominent' citizens (eight of whose names are published) as false as they are silly. There is absolutely no basis of fact whatever for the assertions, or the current gossip that the corporation or its agent has in any way done anything at any time to hinder the location or construction of a power building by the gentlemen referred to, or any other parties or board 'near the railroad' or elsewhere. The whole story is untrue, whether or not 'a prominent member of the Board of Trade said Friday' 'he was not in a position to deny or confirm the story.' At the final interview with the official of the Boston and Maine Railroad respecting this matter, a concession was made by the Otis Company intended to be helpful to, and directly in the interests of the building project. That the result of the interview was clearly in the interests of the syndicate (or the Board of Trade) appeared plainly when the representative of the parties, Mr. H. H. Loomis, came subsequently to the office of the Otis Company and expressed his pleasure and satisfaction with the conclusion of the matter. Since that visit there have been no negotiations with the railroad in respect to this affair, of any nature whatever.

Since receiving this statement from Mr. Baker we have seen letters from officers of the Boston & Maine Railroad, of which the following are copies, and now that our readers have all the facts they can place the responsibility for these rumors where it properly belongs:

BOSTON & MAINE R. R.
Engineer Department.
Boston, Mass., Jan. 18, 1890.
J. J. Kilgill, Agent, Ware, Mass.
Dear Sir:—There seems to be an idea in Ware that the delay in grading grounds for Loomis is owing to some opposition by the Otis Co. Such is not the case, and it is very unjust to them to have such stories in circulation. If you can go to the expense of grading those grounds, this is the sole cause of the delay. Yours truly,
(Signed) H. B. Bissell, Ch. Eng'r.

BOSTON & MAINE RAILROAD.
Boston, January 21, 1890.
Edwin H. Baker, Agent, Ware, Mass.
The report which reaches me this a. m. by your letter to Mr. Bissell that a story is widely circulated that a certain corporation intended to withdraw its patronage from the Central Mass. Railroad if the railroad should be intended to lease a certain piece of land near the water-pipe rights owned by the corporation, is untrue in every particular. The reasons why the land was not leased to the power company are two: First, because we had no need to spare that land which was needed for the business, and second, because the Central Mass. Railroad is not in condition to prepare the land wanted by proper grading. If the power company are in condition to do the grading we will rent to them and pay them in rent for the work done thereon.
(Signed) J. A. T. FURBER, Gen. Manager.

LEGISLATIVE MATTERS.

BOSTON, Jan. 22, 1890.
Preparations for the state house extension go on before the eyes of the present members, but the Solons of this year can have no tantalizing view of the halls of their successors, such as may be seen by the members two or three years hence. Workmen are now engaged in demolishing the row of houses on Mount Vernon street just back of the state house. They were substantial houses, with capacity for much service in them, but the destruction of many thousands dollars' worth of valuable dwellings was one of the unavoidable necessities of the present plan of extending the state house.

The new rule for the exclusion of persons not members from the floor of the House works admirably at the outset. Some of the lobbyists who formerly hung about the House are to be seen in the Senate chamber, where no such rule is in force. Others of them are not seen at the state house at all, or they come up after the session is ended for the day and show by their presence how natural it is for them to be on the inside, and how the new rule is felt by them. People down town also feel the rule and do not come to the state house when they otherwise would. But later in the session, when important matters are at stake, there is no doubt the lobby will be felt.

Following on the line of Gov. Brackett's message, Mr. McFetters of Springfield has introduced a proposition in regard to taxation of inheritances and bequests. For all sums over \$100,000 he proposes a tax of 10 per cent; for all less than \$100,000 and over \$50,000, 5 per cent; for all less than \$50,000 and over \$20,000, 2 per cent; and for all less than \$20,000 and over \$10,000, 1 per cent.

The New England Conservatory of Music has sent to the Legislature a petition for an appropriation from the state treasury of such sum, and under such conditions, as may seem appropriate. The debt of the conservatory is over \$300,000, and last year's petition was for that amount, but the Legislature of 1889 looked upon it with little favor that the corporation doubtless thinks it best to take what it can get (if anything) and not frighten the members at the outset by the size of the sum

requested. The petition states in detail the burdens of the conservatory and rehearses the great benefit it has been to the business of the state and the fame it has brought to musical circles in Boston.

The deficiencies in the appropriations of 1889 amount to \$16,764. Of this total \$8341 was for printing, and \$5919 was for military bounty. Each of the other sums was small, and there is no reason, in the light of Auditor Ladd's explanation, to suppose that there was any spoliation of the state treasury.

One of the topics which will receive the attention of the present Legislature is the abolition of the grade crossings of railroads. It is one of those chronic questions which is ever pressing for solution, and will not be settled till it is settled right. Last year the report of an expert commission on the subject was made to the Legislature, and they estimated that it would cost \$40,000,000 to abolish all the grade crossings in the state. It is said to be the truth that the railroads of this state alone pay \$1,000,000 every year for the maintenance of flagmen and for appliances to protect the public at grade crossings. There is a plan in preparation by Senator Coffin of Suffolk which he hopes to secure the speedy abolition of the more dangerous crossings and to provide a way by which all crossings at grade may be gradually abolished. Of course the great difficulty is the expense, and that is the part of the problem to which he has paid particular attention, having regard to the rights and duties of the state, cities and towns and railroads. This plan will be mentioned in detail later. Representative Moriarty of Worcester has offered proposing that a flagman be stationed at every grade crossing in the state.

This week the Legislature has settled to business. That is, the committees are getting to work, and some important hearings have been held, especially upon the petition to forbid the coloring of oleo which is sold for butter. This has become so old a matter that the newspapers give it but little space, but the farmers are as strenuous as ever about the passage of the law. They are bet or organized than ever, and believe that they have three quarters of the Senate and a large majority of the House in their favor. Secretary Sessions of the state board of agriculture has been one of the witnesses in behalf of the farmers, and among others of their chief men have been ex-Senators Gleason of New Braintree and Stockwell of Sutton, and Editor Myrick of the New England Homestead. Meanwhile the oleo interest is circulating a pamphlet charging the butter men with misrepresenting the truth, and there is clearly a determination to miss no chance to defeat the bill, though the prospect for the oleo men is more desperate than in any previous year. The farmers' league seems to be on the war-path, and its course will be watched with interest.

An assault is threatened against the liquor law at several points, but there is no reason yet in sight to suppose it will succeed. It is proposed to abolish altogether the limit upon the number of licenses which may be issued, and to repeal the high license law. These are the two specially restrictive laws of recent years, and seem to have disturbed the liquor interest more than any others. Then, too, it is proposed to sell liquor licenses at auction, to permit them to run for an indefinite time, instead of one year, and to raise the minimum fee under our high license system.

A new agitation has broken out this year against persons who sell stocks of goods which have been damaged by fire or other cause to a bankrupt owner. The object seems to be to prevent sales to the detriment of the regular trade, and it is proposed to require a license fee of all persons who bring such goods for sale into any city or town. Propositions are pending to increase the membership of the state board of arbitration by two new men, and the district board by one new member, to be stationed in New Bedford. The state's business grows continually, and these changes proposed are signs of it.

LONDON.
CARRI.—To the members of St. Mary's Temperance Society we would render our sincere thanks and appreciation of services and aid rendered during our bereavement in the recent death of our brother.

DANIEL SULLIVAN.
Thorndike, Jan. 23, 1890.
We have heard many of our old friends say that Salvation Oil cured them of rheumatism. Those who have not tried it should do so. Our druggists sell it for twenty-five cents a bottle all the time. Why suffer with a bad cold when one bottle of Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup will cure a cough of the worst kind. Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup is sold for 25c. per bottle by all druggists in the United States.

Leading physicians recommend Ayer's Sarsaparilla. Old and young take it with perfect safety. It cleanses the blood, strengthens the nerves and vitalizes the system. Popular experience has long placed this medicine at the head of tonic alternatives.

That beautiful glossy skin, so much admired in hair, can be secured by the use of Ayer's Hair Vigor. There is nothing better than this preparation for strengthening the scalp and keeping it free from dandruff and itching eruptions.

The Excitement Not Over.
The rush on the druggists still continues, and daily scores of people call for a bottle of Kemp's Balsam for the Throat and Lungs for the cure of coughs, colds, bronchitis, whooping-cough, asthma and Consumption. Kemp's Balsam, the standard family remedy, is sold on a guarantee, and never fails to give satisfaction. Price 50c. and 1-2 Trial size free.

All Broken Down.
Is it not said to see so many young men every day of whom it can be said? Young men, take my advice. Stop indiscretions which you have practiced, keep good hours, retire early, and build up your shattered system by using Sulphur Bitters, which will cure you.—OLD PHYSICIAN.

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And each day and night during this week, you can get at all druggists Kemp's Balsam for the Throat and Lungs, acknowledged to be the most successful remedy for the cure of coughs, croup, bronchitis, whooping-cough, asthma and Consumption. Get a bottle to-day, and keep it always in the house, so you can check your cold at once. Price 50c. and 1-2 Sample bottle free.

CHILDREN CRY FOR PITCHER'S CASTORIA.
Advice to Mothers.
Are you disturbed at night and broke up of your rest by a sick child suffering and crying with pain of cutting teeth? If so, send at once and get a bottle of Mrs. WISSELOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP FOR CHILDREN TEething. Its value is incalculable. It will relieve the poor little sufferer immediately. Depend upon it, mothers, there is no medicine so safe and so effective as this. It cures colic, soothes the stomach and bowels, cures wind colic, soothes the gums, reduces inflammation, and gives tone and energy to the whole system. Mrs. WISSELOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP FOR CHILDREN TEething is pleasant to the taste, and is the prescription of the oldest and best female nurses and physicians in the United States, and is for sale by all druggists throughout the world. Price 25c. a bottle.

CHILDREN CRY FOR PITCHER'S CASTORIA.
MARRIED.
At Thorndike, 22d, by Rev. F. J. Lynch, JOHN MILLER of Palmer and ANNIE LOFTS of Thorndike.

DIED.
At Palmer, 20th, HARRIET E. HOLBROOK, SSy. 10 mo.
At Palmer, 22d, E. G. Scott, 74, father of Mrs. O. Allen.
At Bowdoin, 18th, AGNES I. SPOONER, 21.
At Belchertown, 21st, ASHER H. HADDALL, 50.
At Athol, 21st, Dr. JAMES P. LYNDSE, 61, father of J. P. Lyndse of Palmer.
At Springfield, 23d, of pneumonia, MARTHA A. Gay, 5mo., wife of Frederick H. Harris.
At Hopkewell Falls, 23d, Hon. THOMAS W. CARTER, 89y. 7mo., a native of Brimfield.
At a meeting of St. Mary's Temperance Society held Jan. 18th, the following resolutions were adopted: Whereas, it has pleased Almighty God to remove from our midst our late brother, William Sullivan, And, whereas, the intimate relations long held by our deceased brother with the members of this society render it proper that we should place on our records our appreciation of his services as a member, and for merits as a man, therefore be it Resolved, That while we bow with humble submission to the will of the Most High, we do not less mourn for our brother who has been called from his labors to rest.
Resolved, That in the death of William Sullivan this society loses a brother who was always active and zealous in his work, devoted to the interests and welfare of the society, an honest and upright young man whose virtues endeared him not only to the brethren of the order but to all his fellow citizens.
Resolved, That this society tenders its heartfelt sympathy to the family and relatives of their deceased brother in their affliction.
Resolved, That these resolutions be entered upon the minutes of the society, and also that they be published in the Palmer Journal, and that a copy be sent to the family of the deceased brother.

Committee
JOHN C. SULLIVAN, on Resolutions.
JOHN STOKES, Resolutions.

TENEMENT TO RENT.
431.
Inquire of E. A. BUCK.

POST—On Sunday, Jan. 12, at or between Baptist church and P. M. Eager's house, a pair of gold eye-glasses and chain. The finder will be suitably rewarded by leaving them at F. M. Eager's shop.

AUCTION!
The building on Church street recently occupied by J. H. Hayes's store and tin store will be sold at auction Thursday, Jan. 20, 1890, at 2 o'clock p. m. PALMER SAVINGS & TRUST CO., Auctioneers.
Palmer, Jan. 24, 1890.

\$200 REWARD!
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LETTER FROM EX-GOVERNOR CORNELL.
New York, Nov. 28, 1889.
Proprietor of the Mail and Express:
It gives me pleasure to assure you that the members of the Grant Monument Association appreciate, approve and accept your generous offer to aid, through the medium of the Weekly Mail and Express, in the erection of the grand memorial to Riverside Park in honor of the illustrious soldier and patriot, Ulysses S. Grant.

LETTER FROM MRS. GRANT.
New York, Nov. 28, 1889.
The arrangements made between the Weekly Mail and Express and the Grant Monument Association meets my hearty approval. The offer of the Weekly Mail and Express is patriotic, and should be responded to promptly by the citizens of America the monument will specially be built at the very site suggested by my husband, and selected by me as the last resting-place of his precious remains, the spot where I hope my remains will be laid, and where my children will, with me saying, "Here only shall be his tomb."

ANOTHER LETTER FROM GOV. CORNELL.
GRANT MONUMENT ASSOCIATION.
New York, Dec. 18, 1889.
Dear Sir:—It gives me profound satisfaction to acknowledge receipt of your esteemed favor of this date, enclosing check from the Weekly Mail and Express for TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS, payable to the order of the Grant Monument Association, as a contribution toward the erection of the grand memorial at the Riverside Park, in the city of New York.

THE GREAT FAMILY NEWSPAPER.
The weekly issue of the Mail and Express is not a mere re-hash of the daily of the same name, the paper is thrown together by my husband, and selected by me as the last resting-place of his precious remains, the spot where I hope my remains will be laid, and where my children will, with me saying, "Here only shall be his tomb."

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You know he's got nine children, As wild as they can be— Good land! I tell you 'taint a bit Of use to talk to me. Besides I'm nearly forty, And I haven't lost my head, And as for Deacon Tomlinson, His hair is awful red.

You say he's coming over here To tea to-night? Oh my! I'll have to fry some doughnuts And bake a cherry pie; And Dolly, honey, you must make A loaf of sally-lunn, With lots of eggs to make it light, And bake it good and done.

What, something of importance To tell me, do you say? I wish you'd plant my muslin ruff, And do it right away; I know I'm nearly forty, And I haven't lost my head, And as for Deacon Tomlinson, His hair is kind of red.

But then, it's just as well to look As decent as you can; And the Deacon always was a most Observing kind of man; We knew each other long ago, When we were young and green; We had a falling out, and so He married 'Tiddy Bean.

It's only just about a year Since 'Tiddy quit this life— He says he's lonesome, does he, And he's bound to have a wife? Dear me, I'm nearly forty, But I haven't lost my head; And as for Deacon Tomlinson, His hair ain't very red.

—Good Housekeeping.

AMONG THE PARAGRAPHERS.

"LOOK OUT FOR PAINT." There was a sign upon a fence; The sign was "Paint;" And everybody that went by, Shiner and saint, Put out a finger and touched the fence; And onward sped; And as they wiped their finger-tips, "It is," they said.

—Stray.

"I say, conductah, how comes it that we've reached our destination half a minute late?" "Front end of train's on time. Rear end's allus late."—Harper's Bazar.

Clara (to bride)—"How many times did Harry kiss you when you accepted him?" Bride—"Ask me something easy! Could Napoleon count all the bullets fired at Austerlitz?"—Stray.

Mistress—"Here is a three-minute-and-a-half glass, Bridget; you may boil the eggs with it." Bridget (five minutes later)—"The eggs is done, mum, but Oi have me doubts about the glass."—Burlington Free Press.

"Hurry to the door, Mary, and let Mr. Smith in. He has rung twice." "That isn't Mr. Smith, it is the other young gentleman." "Well, wait a minute, then. I must change the photographs on the mantle."—Life.

Jack Tar—"We ain't so very far from land, Jim! There's been a yacht along here lately." Jim—"How do you know?" Jack Tar—"See all them champagne corks."—Life.

About this time of year the family woodpile becomes so distasteful to the small boy that he thinks seriously of shipping as a pirate—preferring the sea to the saw. —Terre Haute Express.

A Woman's Revenge.—Mrs. Hinton (recently married)—"Did you know my husband was very ill?" Miss Carrington—"I supposed he must be, my dear. Before he married you he told me I had broken his heart."—Epoch.

Boston mother (shouting down stairs)—"Minerva, are you coming to bed?" Boston daughter—"Let me have another half hour with Bob, mamma." B. M.—"Half hour with Bob! Gracious me, have you a man in the house?" B. D.—"The idea. I'm reading Bob—Robert Elsmere, you know."—Boston Courier.

"Well, I can't understand it at all," remarked Mrs. Snaggs, after their caller, Mr. Watertight, had taken his departure. "Can't understand what?" asked her husband. "Mr. Watertight says he took a saloon passage to England and back, and he's such a strong prohibitionist, too."—Pittsburg Chronicle.

I never hear an instance of meanness mentioned without thinking of an aged man whom I met one day last summer on the Kennebec Valley campground. In speaking of the late war he dwelt upon its horrors so pathetically that I was led to inquire if he had participated in the struggle. "No," he answered. "I wasn't in the army, but my son was a soldier. He was drafted and wanted me to get him a substitute. 'Twould have cost \$400. I couldn't see any money in it, and there's where I was short-sighted. My son was killed before he'd been a month at the front, and I've been hiring a man ever since to help carry on the farm. It's cost me hundreds and hundreds of dollars over and above the price of a substitute, and besides, my son was a master hand to work, and the smallest eater I ever saw."—Levittown Journal.

INGREDULITY OF BURGULARS.

A colored man who was evidently in poor circumstances called at a Gratiot avenue hardware store the other day and asked for a door lock, and while he was looking at a line of them the merchant said:

"You can't be afraid of burglars?"

"But I am," was the reply.

"Have you got anything to be stolen?"

"No, sah. Hain't got \$20 worth of stuff in de house."

"Then why do you fear burglars?"

"It hain't cause I 'spect dey would steal anything, but because I doan't want ter be woke up in de night and see a burglar at de foot ob de bed an' hear him say: 'Now, Reuben, you hand ober dat bag ob gold or I'll put six bullets inter ye.'"

"But you have no gold."

"Dat's jist it. He'd think I was lyin' an' shute me."—Detroit Free Press.

Too Too—"Been writing?" "Yes."

"Who to?" "Oh dear! Why don't you speak grammatically? The idea—'who to!'"

You should say, "To whom to."—Harper's Bazar.

FIFTY-YEARS-OLD PATOS.

Fifty years ago the daguerotype was invented in France.

Fifty years ago the Massachusetts Abolition party was organized.

Fifty years ago the Mormons were driven from Missouri to Nauvoo, Ill.

Fifty years ago the banks in the United States resumed specie payment.

Fifty years ago the first normal school was organized at Lexington, Mass.

Fifty years ago John C. Fremont and Jessie Benton were secretly married.

Fifty years ago old Black Hawk, the noted Indian chieftain, died at Keokuk, Iowa.

Fifty years ago a survey was made by John Bally for a canal across Central America.

Fifty years ago beet-sugar was first made by David L. Child of Northampton, Mass.

Fifty years ago John Ericsson was allowed letters patent on a steam "propeller" boat.

Fifty years ago the first patent was granted to Goodyear for vulcanized india-rubber goods.

Fifty years ago David G. Burnett began to serve as Acting President of the "Republic of Texas."

Fifty years ago the Cherokee Indians were removed from Georgia and placed west of the Mississippi river.

Fifty years ago was established the first commercial college in America, "Coker's College," of Boston.

Fifty years ago 1000 reformed drunkards marched in procession at the first anniversary of the Washington Society.

Fifty years ago Frederick Douglass, the famous negro orator, journalist and politician, escaped from slavery at Baltimore, Md.

Fifty years ago a law was enacted against dueling in the District of Columbia. It grew out of the Cilley-Graves duel.

Fifty-one years ago the first steam fire-engine ever made was tested in New York. It was invented by Captain John Ericsson.

Fifty years ago the Sirm and Great Western, the first ocean steamships, entered New York harbor on their return trip No. 1.

Fifty years ago the first power-loom for weaving carpets was set in motion by E. B. Bigelow of Boston. Ten yards a day was its original capacity.

Fifty years ago Joseph A. Adams, for the first time, made use of the idea now embodied in the art of electrotyping by reproducing wood cuts.

Fifty years ago (1839) the first wheat was shipped from Chicago, amounting to seventy-eight bushels. It was sent eastward by the lakes to Buffalo.

Fifty years ago the Whig party held its convention at Harrisburg, Penn., nominating General William Harrison of Ohio, as president of the United States.

Fifty years ago the first railroad-spike machine was put into use, making fifty a minute, forming both point and head.

Henry Burden of Troy, N. Y., was the inventor. It ranked among the best-paying inventions of modern times.

Fifty years ago the population of the United States was only 17,937,420. The census cost the government \$833,427.

There were slaves in all the States except Maine, Massachusetts, Vermont and Michigan. Iowa had 16 slaves; Wisconsin, 11; Ohio, 3; Indiana, 9; Illinois, 331. The total in all the states and territories was 2,486,228.—Philadelphia Record.

HINTS TO HOUSEKEEPERS.

When beating up the whites of eggs, add a tiny pinch of salt, because this will cut them up, and make them frothy much quicker, well as make the froth more "heavy" than it otherwise would be.

For a cough, boil one ounce of flax-seed in a pint of water, strain and add a little honey, one ounce of rock candy and the juice of three lemons; mix and boil well. Drink as hot as possible.

Wall papers of large patterns decrease the apparent size of the room.

To one-half pound of powdered black lead add one-half gill of water, one-half ounce of sugar; bottle, and shake thoroughly.

The latest decree of fashion is that tables should no longer be square, but round or triangular, so that every guest faces the host or hostess.

Warts may be destroyed by being rubbed with alum. Carry a lump in the pocket and rub on the wart frequently, wetting it as you do so.

Hanging shelves in the cellar are a great convenience.

It is a good idea for a tall woman to have her kitchen table and ironing board a little higher than ordinary. It will save many a backache.

Straw hats, straw mats, willow furniture, etc., may be cleaned almost like new if salt and water be used for washing them.

To clean a carpet thoroughly, throw damp salt upon it and then sweep it briskly, and it will be found that all the coloring will have been vastly brightened; or if the carpet has been well swept, go over it afterward with a clean cloth and clear salt water, and the result will be almost as good.

Glue that is delicate and nice for mounting ferns and sea-weeds is made of five parts of gum arabic, three parts of white sugar, two parts of starch; add a very little water; boil until thick and white.

Heartburn may be relieved almost instantly if half a teaspoonful of table salt be dissolved in a wineglassful of cold water and then drunk. When the eyes are tired and weak, if they are bathed in slightly saline water they will soon become soothed.

A French cook tells us that a piece of dry bread, tied in a bag and placed in the water while cabbage is boiling, will prevent the unpleasant odor which usually arises.

For the removal of foreign bodies from the stomach, the highest authorities are now recommending the eating of potatoes only, in large quantities, cooked in different ways to stimulate the appetite. Cases are cited in which articles of jewelry, brass weights, nails, pins, etc., were successfully ejected, after a few days of the potato diet.

Nothing should be eaten but potatoes during the time required, which varies from two to nine days.

First Livery Stable Horse—"Pegasus, at the hour of 12 to-night I shall hang myself by my halter." Second Ditto—"O, Bucephalus! Why?" First Horse—"Because I am so slow that every young man who has a cuddlesome young girl wants to hire me."—New York Sun.

JUSTICE IN A BLACKSMITH'S SHOP.

In the spring of 1860, in a small town in Iowa, a blacksmith was elected justice of the peace. He was an honest, industrious fellow, a far better blacksmith than he was a lawyer. Shortly after he was elected a case of assault and battery came up in his court. Knowing that he could not afford to rent a separate room in which to hold court, he informed the lawyers on both sides to bring their cases right into the blacksmith shop and he would hold court there. He also stated that for the time being he would give up making horseshoes and attend strictly to the duties of his new office. The lawyers departed and informed everyone where the justice was going to hold court. When the hour approached the smithy was crowded. The prosecuting witness and defendants, accompanied by their attorneys, at the appointed time put in an appearance, and the blacksmith took off his leather apron, rapped on the anvil and stated that the court was open. The lawyers for the defense made a motion to dismiss the suit, as it was simply the outcome of spite. Rapping on the anvil the son of Vulcan put the following motion to the spectators: "Gentlemen, you have heard the motion to dismiss this suit. All who are in favor of it will please signify their intention by saying 'aye.' A rousing reply was in the affirmative and the blacksmith adjourned court, picked up his hammer and resumed work. The attorney for the prosecution was dumfounded at such a proceeding, but his protestations amounted to nothing and the decision of the court stood."—Leavenworth Herald-Democrat.

THIS IS NO JOKE.

"Ah! how do you do, Smith?" "Pretty well, I thank you, Jones." "Where do you keep yourself now? I haven't seen you for an age. The boys used to be always speaking about you, but I never hear them mention your name now." "No, I don't suppose you do." "But you used to be one of the most popular as well as one of the jolliest fellows among us." "I know it. When I used to go around with the boys and spend my money with them and neglect my wife and children, I was a splendid fellow; but since I began to respect myself and give my wife and children the attention and comforts to which they are entitled, and which should never have been withheld from them, I have lost my popularity among the boys and am now regarded as one of those 'mean cusses.' But I guess I can stand it."

"I guess you can," said Jones. "I never saw you looking better in my life."—Boston Courier.

LEFT HER FEET BEHIND—A good old minister in Scotland is no stickler for etiquette, and likes his visits to his flock to be as informal and as homely as possible; but he has a great regard for truth, and is invariably down on those whom he detects in any deviation therefrom. Recently calling unexpectedly on a widow who lives in a cottage on the outskirts of the village, he surprised her in the midst of washing a lot of clothes. The visitor knocked at the door. "Well, Jamie," he said, "and where's your mother?" "My mother's no in; she's down the street on a message," replied the lad with promptness. "Indeed!" replied the minister, with a glance at the bottom of the screen. "Well, tell her I called, and say that the next time she goes down to the village she might take her feet with her!"

Very few people are entirely satisfactory in all lights and under all conditions. Most of us need at times to put the best foot forward. A young wife, in receiving a wedding call from an old friend, expressed her regret that her husband was not also present. "He was called out of town this morning," she explained, apologetically. "I am sorry you couldn't have seen him."

"I should have been very glad to meet him," said the guest, politely. "Of course we are desirous of knowing him." "Harry isn't handsome," went on the bride, critically. "Though I don't know that you'd say that, either, if you saw him in the evening. He does light up well."—Troy Press.

A FARM WORKED BY 250 LUNATICS.—The whole of the work on the Islip farm, Long Island, is done by 250 insane patients who live there. Many of them are excellent laborers, skillful and steady, as Dr. MacDonald, who has had charge of the work there during the past summer, can testify. The farm, which was formerly poor land, is in a fine state of cultivation, highly productive and pleasant to behold. It is greatly admired by the level-headed farmers of Long Island who take a look at it.

—New York Sun.

Lieutenant—Yes; a man ought always to have his wits about him. I was once riding over a battle-field with a trooper, when my companion was suddenly struck in the month by a bullet which smashed four of his teeth, and would undoubtedly have shattered his spinal column had not the man had sufficient presence of mind to swallow it.—Spassvogel.

Tough Old Wretch. Mrs. Oldboy—"Oh, you needn't talk, John. You was bound to have me. You can't say that I ever ran after you." Oldboy—"Very true, Maria, and the rat trap never runs after the mouse, but it catches him in all the same."—Boston Transcript.

A Mother's Letter. No. 10 BOWLAND ST., NEWARK, N. J., Feb. 23, 1887.

DOCTOR HAND.—Dear Sir: I was about the first mother in Newark to act on the advice contained in your little book, which accidentally fell into my hands. As soon as I saw the teaching lesson mentioned determined to give it a fair trial, thinking as I represented, it would be the greatest blessing conferred on suffering children. I found it to be so and would like to preach it from the house. But as that, in a literal sense, is impossible, I do all I can to let others know of so wonderful a medicine. I was so delighted with the lesson that I use all the other remedies as occasion require in preference to calling on a physician. I wish to know if there is any danger in giving too much of your little cure, as it seems my baby cannot live without it, or rather I cannot live with him unless I use it. I get on an average two bottles of it a week for he has colic constantly. Trusting you will favor me with a prompt reply.

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In the long grass above my grave.

I shall not heed them where I lie,
Nothing their sounds shall signify;
Nothing the headstone's fret of rain;
Nothing to me the dark day's pain.

Sooner or later the sun shall shine
With tender warmth on that mound of mine.
Sooner or later, in summer air,
Clover and violet blossom there.

I shall not feed, in that deep-laid rest,<
The slanting light fall over my breast;
Nor even nor more in those hidden hours
The wind-blown breath of the tossing flowers.

Sooner or later the stainless snows
Shall add their hush to my mute repose;
Sooner or later shall slant and shift
And heap my bed with the dazzling drift.

Chill though that pall shall seem,
Its touch no colder can make the dream
That rocks not the sweet and sacred dread
Shrouding the city of the dead.

Sooner or later the bee shall come
And fill the noon with its golden hum;
Sooner or later on half-painted wing,
The woodcock's warble about me ring—

Ring, and chirrup, and whistle with glee,
Nothing his music means to me;
None of these beautiful things will know
How soundly their lover sleeps below.

Sooner or later, far out in the night,
The stars shall over me wing their flight;
Sooner or later the darkling dew
Catch the white sparks in their silent noose.

Never a ray shall part the gloom
That wraps me round in the kindly tomb.
Peace shall be perfect for lip and brow,
Sooner or later—Oh, why not now?

—Harriet Prescott Spofford.

JOHN.

"Do you need a man to work about your place, sir?"

Judge Parker looked up from his law books and papers to the questioner, a stalwart man, about thirty years of age, poor, but genteel in appearance, and respectful in manner and speech.

"Take a chair," said the Judge, politely, motioning to one near him.

"No, thank you, sir; I prefer to stand, if you please. The door was open and I made bold to walk in. I knocked several times on the door frame, but you didn't hear me. I came just to ask if you need a man to do any sort of work about your place? If you do not, I'll not take up any more of your time, as I see you're busy. But I hope you do, sir; I need work badly."

"You are a stranger in Pilex, are you not?" asked the Judge, leaning back in his chair.

"Partly so. I lived here years ago."

"Your name?"

"John."

"Your surname?"

"I would like you to call me just John, sir, if you please?"

"Don't you know, my man, that withholding your name is not a good recommendation, and very likely to make an unfavorable impression?"

"I know it, sir, but if you'll only try me, I think you'll find that my faithfulness and desire to do everything right will make up for the rest of my name."

Something about the man's bearing and appearance strongly impressed Judge Parker, inspiring a desire to know more of him, and he said:

"Well, I'll tell you candidly that I like your appearance and manner, but when a man refuses to give his name, there's always something wrong."

"There is something wrong, sir—I'll be honest with you—there is something wrong with the name, but not with me—not now. I could easily give you a false name. Ain't the fact that I don't give one some sign of honesty, and won't you please look at that as a recommendation, sir?"

"It is an indication, certainly," responded the Judge. "Now it just happens that I do need a man about my country place here; need one badly. Summer is upon us, bringing a great deal of work to be done about the grounds. I have a man for the stable and horses, so the new hand would have to do the rough work, mowing the lawn, raking, weeding, sawing wood, keeping the grounds in good order, running errands, and so on. Would you be willing to do that?"

"Certainly, sir," John hopefully responded. "I'll be only too glad if you'll try me."

"But you are an able-bodied young fellow who could make at some trade much more than I could give you for the work mentioned, and if I mistake not your appearance, you have had higher aims than this sort of work."

"That is all true, sir; I could make more at other work, and I have had higher aims, but you've seen how misfortune steps in sometimes on our aims. But I'd be glad to do such work as you said for the summer, if you'll only give me a trial."

"What are your terms?"

"That is not important, sir—"

"Not important? Why, my man, it is becoming plain to me that you have some object other than this work; some plan which such a position is to subserve. Haven't you?"

"Not exactly plain, but I have a reason for coming to you that I'd rather not tell, if you please. It's not a wrong purpose, and I hope you won't refuse me the work on its account."

"It gives rise to unfavorable suspicions, though. An unusual number of things are against you. You refuse to give your name, you seek work plainly beneath your abilities, wages are unimportant, and lastly, the work is not your chief object. You must certainly be aware that these would be good grounds for turning you away."

"I am aware of that, sir, and was afraid that when I came to you that I would appear in a bad light, but I concluded to be honest about it, anyhow. Try me, though, sir; you'll not regret it. I want the place sorely; more than I dare tell. I'm in distress. I have nothing else to say. My appearance is my only recommendation. If that won't do, I must go."

He looked pleadingly at the Judge, who, rising, came from behind the desk, and standing close to the applicant, said:

"Well, John, let me tell you that your candor and evident truthfulness have impressed me very strongly in your favor, despite the appearance against you. I'll try you for a month, but you must not complain if you are denied certain freedom and privileges that would be accorded to a man who has proven himself trustworthy, or if your actions are more closely watched."

"I've seen those consequences, sir, and it's all right. They are to be expected under the circumstances, and I won't complain. Do as you please with me till you feel I can be trusted. Show me the work at once, sir, if you can. I couldn't find words to thank you, sir, even if I had time to hear them. My work must show you how grateful I am."

Donning a broad-brimmed straw hat, Judge Parker conducted the new man out over his spacious estate, indicating what work would be expected of him, and set him to weeding at a spot in sight of his study windows.

He then returned to his papers and books, but as the afternoon wore on, he cast frequent glances through the window at John. It was plain that he had become deeply interested in the man whose history had been so candidly and honestly withheld. He could not fathom the mystery with which the applicant chose to envelop himself, but he trusted that his purposes were honorable, though he was somewhat suspicious.

Judge Parker was a large-hearted man, widely known and beloved for his geniality, benevolence and uniform justice. The humblest citizen, if worthy, might apply to him for help, certain of a patient and responsive hearing. Knowing that his liberality had drawn to him many unworthy suppliants, he now suspected that John had some design upon his philanthropy, and accordingly believed he needed watching.

But each glance through the window showed John working industriously, with an earnest vigor and care that cut the sharp edges from this suspicion.

And so he worked throughout the trial month. Faithfulness and a painstaking interest were stamped upon each detail of his work, and many persons commented to the Judge upon the improved appearance of the place.

John was an unusually quiet and unobtrusive man. He seldom volunteered remarks save to ask instructions concerning his work; he never presented himself unbidden. Judge Parker's several efforts to elicit some account of his life failed; he was respectfully candid in answering that he did not wish to tell anything about himself, saying that he entirely rested his hope of continued employment upon his work.

When the month ended he was re-engaged, and still he maintained the same scrupulous care in every piece of work, however trivial. He was not a "new broom." He never left the place, unless sent upon errands, and retiring early to his room, spent his evenings in quiet pursuits.

The Judge's interest in him grew into genuine fondness. He liked to talk to him, and found him well posted and shrewd in the ways of the world, and every ready to converse on all subjects except his past life—that was a sealed book.

The summer wore uneventfully away until one morning, late in August, a visitor entered the Judge's study. It was Joshua Skiles, a member of one of the bars in the judicial district in which Judge Parker presided. His face indicated an important mission.

"Judge," he said, after a few remarks on general subjects: "You have a new man at work on your place?"

"Yes, indeed I have. I don't wonder you've noticed it. Many others have spoken to me of the improvement. But he's no eye-server; he's thorough-going to the smallest detail."

Skiles grinned expectantly at this enthusiasm, as he asked:

"What is his name?"

"He calls himself John."

"No surname, eh?"

"No—well, the truth is, he declined to give it, and he's been so faithful that I have respected his reasons for concealing it, whatever they are."

"Is it possible you don't remember him, Judge?"

"No, I don't; yet several times I've thought there was something familiar about him, either in motions or looks, I can't tell which."

"Well, I've just got back from a trip to Europe, been most all over the old country, and the moment I set eyes on your new man I knew the fellow, if he has disguised himself with whiskers. I don't often deceive in people, I tell you."

"I dare say not, but I am if I've ever seen him before."

"Well, then, Judge," said Skiles, with manifest pleasure, "you sentenced him ten years ago to the penitentiary."

Judge Parker looked closely at Skiles before replying or showing any feeling of the statement. The man was not a favorite at the bar. He bore a reputation for pettiness, his cases usually being trivial, most of them plainly trumped up himself upon trifling disputes between parties, and he was given to volunteering services as bids for favor.

So the Judge looked at him, secretly displeased at the disclosure. He didn't want to hear evil of John; he liked him, and was disposed to believe this one of Skiles's designs upon his favor.

"His name, Mr. Skiles?"

"John Dorker," replied Skiles, effusively.

"You sentenced him ten years ago last March for burglary, which was proved beyond the slightest shadow of doubt. There wasn't a scintilla of evidence in his favor. Why the jury were out only about ten minutes. I was present during the trial, and I can truthfully say it was the plainest case

of guilt in my legal experience. You sent him up for five years."

"Are you certain of this, Mr. Skiles?" the Judge asked, coldly. "It

The Journal.

FRIDAY EVENING, JANUARY 31, 1890.

ANOTHER colored man, ex-Senator B. K. Bruce of Mississippi, succeeds Mr. Trotter as recorder of deeds in the District of Columbia.

They are still pegging away at the big snow drifts in the Sierras on the Central Pacific road. Wish they could pass some of it along this way.

EX-SENATOR H. H. RIDDLEBERGER of Virginia died last Friday. His term at Washington expired last March, and his career as senator was chiefly notable for his personal excesses.

A RUMOR that Gov. Brackett had an itching for Gen. Banks' seat in Congress is promptly squelched by the governor, who says he has no aspirations in that direction. The governorship is all he cares for at present.

NELLIE BLY, the New York *World's* reporter, has taken the novelty out of Jules Verne's "Around the World in Eighty Days." She arrived in Jersey City last Saturday, having made the trip around the globe, without escort, in 72 days, 6 hours and 11 minutes. Nellie is a fly girl.

The bill to refund the direct taxes paid in 1861 has passed the Senate at Washington, and will probably pass the House also. Under its provisions Massachusetts will receive \$824,551, Maine \$420,826, New Hampshire \$218,406, Vermont \$211,068, Rhode Island \$116,933, Connecticut \$309,214.

THE deadly ear stove got in its work again Monday morning on the Louisville, New Albany and Chicago Railroad, four cars being thrown from a trestle near Carmel, Ind., by the spreading of the rails. The cars took fire at once and six persons lost their lives, several being more or less injured. It is high time the ear stove was entirely abolished.

THE Boston *Herald* thinks Massachusetts can afford to pay her governor \$10,000 a year, and ought to. "It is not at all likely," says the *Herald*, "that the position will ever be sought for the salary carried with it, but when a man who is not rich is called to be governor the state should have a pride in feeling that he does not sacrifice money in her service." But would a man who is not rich sacrifice money, at the present salary?

FOUR Worcester county towns, Holden, Hubbardston, Paxton and Princeton, have joined hands for three years in the care of their poor at the Holden poor farm, the maintenance of separate poor farms in each town being found very expensive with the few people they have to care for. The plan promises well; and there are other ways in which many towns might cooperate with advantage, as, for instance, in the superintendence of schools, the improvement of highways, and so on.

COL. HENRY M. PHILLIPS of Springfield receives the expected appointment as postmaster of that city to succeed Col. Rice. Col. Phillips is prominent as a citizen and politician, capable, wide-awake and popular, and he will make a model postmaster without doubt, though the only necessity for a change was the fact that Col. Rice is a Democrat and Col. Phillips a Republican. The present incumbent has made a very satisfactory official, and his retention would have greatly pleased all civil service reformers.

NEITHER physiologists nor theologians have been able heretofore to definitely locate the soul, but a Philadelphia physician now claims to have done so. He fixes it in the corpus callosum, a small spongy body at the base of the brain, whose functions in the human anatomy have never been satisfactorily determined. "The corpus callosum is the seat of the imperishable mind," says the doctor, "and is the great reservoir and storehouse of electricity, which is abstracted from the blood in the arteries and conveyed through the nerves up the spinal cord to the corpus callosum."

AN extradition treaty has been negotiated by Secretary Blaine and Minister Launefote which, if ratified by the Senate, will put an end to the harbor of refuge which our defaulters and other criminals have found across the line in Canada. Embezzlement, larceny, fraud, perjury, manslaughter and other serious crimes are added to the extraditable list, as they should have been long ago, and as the Senate will in all likelihood approve the treaty the temptation of a safe retreat near at hand for those who weakly yield to evil inclinations will be removed, and their moral backbones may be somewhat stiffened thereby.

"Talk about questions of the day; there is but one question, and that is the gospel," said Mr. Gladstone the other day to Dr. Talmage, who visited him at Hawarden. "It can and will correct everything needing correction. All men at the head of great movements are Christian men. During the many years I was in the cabinet I was brought into association with sixty master minds, and all but five of them were Christians. My only hope for the world is in bringing the human mind into contact with Divine revelation." This is a noble tribute to the necessity and power of Christianity in the world, and coming as it does from the grand old man who for a half-century or more has stood among the foremost public men of his time it ought to have weight with thinking men. But men are strangely slow in accepting the truths of the gospel, though it is steadily and surely spreading, and will continue to spread until it shall fill the earth "as the waters cover the sea."

MASSACHUSETTS MATTERS.

A Worcester burglar was given a 13-years sentence on Monday. It took eight shots from a Springfield policeman's revolver to dispatch a mad dog one day last week. Addison M. Sawyer, one of the wealthiest and most prominent citizens of Athol, died last Friday. Ambert College freshmen had a class supper at the hotel Glendower at Springfield Wednesday evening. Hamilton Hall at Salem, built in Revolutionary times, was gutted by fire Wednesday, the loss being \$3000. Frederick H. Prentiss, town clerk of Pittsfield, has been indicted by the grand jury, charged with embezzlement in office neglecting to keep records of important meetings, and being otherwise remiss in his duties.

LOCAL NOTICES.

Brussels soap stands unrivalled. Live fish bait at F. C. Hatch's. Fine Florida and Valencia oranges at wholesale at F. C. Hatch's. Sweet, pure and clean is Brussels soap. The only soap you need in the house is Brussels. Money loaned on personal security. S. H. Hellyar. Try Brussels soap, and you will always use it. No kicking in the laundry when Brussels soap is used. Gent's Hand Sewed Boots and Shoes for sale at F. M. Eager's. There is no better and more economical soap made than Brussels.

PALMER AND VICINITY.

The outlook for an ice crop is still unfavorable.

Mrs. W. B. Ham is visiting friends in Brattleboro.

M. W. French of Newtonville was in town Tuesday.

Mrs. M. Fox is very ill at her home on Pleasant street.

The whist club has resumed its meetings at the Weeks House hall.

O. P. Allan has a new sign over the entrance of his new store.

J. S. Holden is to move his family to Bennington, Vt., next week.

Miss Hattie Plumley of the telephone exchange spent Sunday at her home in Westfield.

The Boston daily papers are now on sale at the dining room in the union passenger station.

The teachers at the state primary school have a vacation of a week, commencing tomorrow.

J. D. Fosket and Allen & Harwood received an invoice of horses from Boston Wednesday.

Rev. A. W. Weeks, pastor of the Baptist church, is confined to the house by an attack of the grippe.

The ladies of St. Paul's parish will serve an oyster supper in the church parlors next Tuesday evening.

There was lots of fishing through the ice Wednesday, though but few fish were coaxed out of their native element.

Prof. G. M. Harmon of Tufts College will preach at St. Paul's Universalist church next Sunday, morning and evening.

A. H. Bailey, the truckman, will give up that business and will be employed by L. E. Moore on his farm at Blanchardville.

Wilbur F. Miller contemplates presenting the cantata of "Ruth," with a chorus of 50 or more voices, about April 1st.

Conductor Camp has been taking a vacation this week on account of the grippe, his train being run by William Osborne.

Miss Kate Curley, telegraph operator at the passenger station, spent the first part of the week at her home in New London.

The Baptist Sunday-school is preparing for an entertainment, to be given next month, which promises to be quite unique.

The skating was splendid for the first three days of the week, and the opportunity was quickly improved by the boys and girls.

Arthur Holbrook, the 12-years-old son of C. D. Holbrook, who recently broke his leg, is able to be out with the aid of crutches.

Not much talk is heard as yet regarding the town officers for another year, but it is generally understood that some changes will be made.

William Mason has entered the six-days three-hours-a-day race at Warren next week, and expects to give Malone a hard push for first place.

Only about \$2000 of delinquent taxes have been paid in the past two weeks, and a large amount is yet due. To-morrow is the last day of grace.

The scholars of the high school will give a reception to their friends at the high school building this evening. There will be singing, recitations, etc. All are invited.

LeGro & Lynde's drug store has been in a semi-chaotic state this week, extensive alterations and repairs being made. When completed the improvement will be very great.

The small building on Church street, formerly occupied by J. H. Haynes as a stove and tin store, was sold at auction yesterday afternoon to C. W. Johnson for \$121.50.

While Miss M. E. Robinson was on her way home from the public library Monday evening she slipped on the icy sidewalk and fell, cracking one of the bones of the right forearm.

The annual sale of seats in the Congregational church, held Tuesday evening, did not draw out a very large number, and not a premium was bid. About the usual number of seats were sold, or have since been engaged.

Henry Charon will sell his "Shady Lawn Hotel" property at Thorndike, comprising a farm of 160 acres, hotel of 18 rooms, horses, cows, wagons, household furniture, farming tools, etc., at auction next Wednesday at 9 o'clock a. m.

Dr. William Holbrook will read a paper on "Tuberculosis" before the state board of agriculture, which holds its annual meeting at Boston next week Tuesday and Wednesday. The paper has been in preparation for the past year.

The Father Mathew temperance society of this place is to give a concert and ball at Union Hall, Thorndike, next Friday evening. The North Brookfield orchestra will furnish the music, and Ben Chadwick of Westfield will prompt.

The Patterson Club had an enjoyable meeting with C. E. Fish Wednesday evening. Mrs. Anslow and Mrs. Hatch rendered piano solos, Mrs. Forbes and Mrs. Greaves gave a piano and violin duet, Mrs. Flint sang two selections and Mrs. Taft gave a reading.

Lawyer S. S. Taft appeared before the Legislative committee on water supply at Boston to-day in behalf of the town of Belchertown on the petition of the city of Springfield for permission to take the

waters of Jabish brook, in Belchertown, for a water supply.

At the district court last Saturday Fred Landers paid \$6 73 for drunkenness. Tuesday John Ryan, for vagrancy, was sent to the house of correction for three months, while George Wilson, on the same complaint, was admonished and discharged on account of his youth.

A horse belonging to L. G. Cushman of Monson took a lively run home on Tuesday afternoon. The animal was hired by a woman who stopped at Goodes' shoe store, but after alighting from the carriage the horse started for home before she could reach its head to hitch it. No damage to either horse or vehicle.

There was a wreck in the yard of the New London Northern road Wednesday night. Some small dump cars left the track and made a straight shot at the tank house, hitting it squarely and smashing in one side, also wrecking a few of the cars. None of the passenger trains were delayed, but the freights were somewhat late in leaving.

C. T. Brainerd's milk wagon met with an accident on the east end of Park street Tuesday morning. An axle was snapped by the rough ground, and the horse became frightened and ran. After going a short distance the wagon struck an electric light pole and another axle broke, dumping the cans out upon the ground and causing a small deluge of the lactical fluid.

Rev. O. D. Thomas of Brockton began, on Wednesday, a series of extra meetings at the Baptist church. There will be meetings this and to-morrow evenings, and every evening next week except Saturday, with Bible readings in the afternoon a portion of the time. On Thursday evening there will be a sermon to young people. Mr. Thomas will occupy the pulpit of the church on Sunday.

The managers of the telephone company are considering the matter of adding Gilbertville, Warren, West Warren and Belchertown to the Palmer exchange. Should they do this a number of new instruments would undoubtedly be put in. At present there are no telephones in Belchertown or West Warren, while Warren instruments are on the Spencer exchange, though they are used more in connection with the Palmer exchange.

The Y. P. S. C. E. will give a social in the vestry of the Congregational church next Tuesday evening, and cordially invites everybody to come, admission free. An entertainment will be provided, and during the evening cake and hot chocolate will be served free to those who wish. There will also be an art loan exhibition, to which a small admission fee will be charged. The committee will take special pains to make all feel at home, and hope to have a large attendance.

Lovers of horse-flesh took delight yesterday morning in examining some fine specimens which were in a car on the side-track of the Ware River road. There were two handsome Percheron stallions and a French stallion, each two years old, their weight being from 1600 to 1700 each, and a Percheron mare, 10 years old, which weighed 1900. The animals came from Wayne, Ill., and were on their way to Charles Robinson of Barre Plains, who will use them for breeding purposes.

The prosecuting committee has been looking after the licensed places of late, and find that not one of them is living up to the requirements of their common victualer's license, which they must have before they can be granted a first-class license. According to the law if the common victualer's license is not lived up to it should be revoked, which of course revokes the license to sell. The prosecuting committee has notified the selectmen of the facts, and are awaiting a decision in the matter.

The annual apportionment of the money collected from the dog owners and not paid out for damages has been made among the cities and towns of the county: Agawam, \$187; Blandford, \$88; Brimfield, \$100; Chester, \$120; Chicopee, \$69; Granville, \$119; Hampden, \$98; Holland, \$34; Holyoke, \$120; Longmeadow, \$189; Ludlow, \$153; Monson, \$303; Montgomery, \$38; Palmer, \$16; Russell, \$77; Southwick, \$94; Springfield, \$2376; Tolland, \$51; Wales, 105; Westfield, 608; West Springfield, \$412; Wilbraham, \$135.

Officer Crawford fared rather hard while attempting to make an arrest last Friday night. There was a row in Moynahan's saloon, and waiting until the man he wanted came out upon the sidewalk he attempted to arrest him. The officer was immediately set upon by a third party, and in the melee the prisoner escaped, immediately improving the opportunity to get in a heavy blow back of the officer's ear. When the latter finally untangled himself his man was gone, but was found and brought before the court Saturday morning.

Thomas Beach of Wilbraham was struck at Moran's crossing, about two miles west of this place, Sunday night by the New York express which passes here at 7.55. He was taken aboard the train and brought to this station, afterwards being moved to his home. A couple of broken ribs and some cuts about the head and hips were supposed to be the extent of his injuries, not severe, but Monday he had hemorrhage of the kidneys, and at last accounts was in a dangerous condition. Beach claims he was not struck by the cars, but was too much under the influence of hard cider at the time to know much about it.

Lovers of art will enjoy a rare treat in the thirteenth annual exhibition of the work by American artists, to be opened to the public in Gill's Art Galleries, Springfield, to-morrow, and continue through the month. One hundred and three pictures, representing eighty-five artists, will be on view. These exhibitions are a great feature in the social and artistic life of not only Springfield, but for miles around. We bespeak for this a success commensurate with the work, knowledge, tact and experience given to it by Mr. Gill, and the best work by the best artists. The private view comes off to-night, for the benefit of the press and the past patrons of the annual exhibitions.

F. C. Hatch is doing a large business in oranges, both wholesale and retail, and on

Wednesday received an invoice of 50 boxes. Probably about 20 boxes are retailed in the village weekly at the present time, which the dealers say is an unusually poor one in this line, as no one seems to care to buy, no matter at how low a price good fruit may be offered. The best orange now in the market is the Indian River, at 35 and 45 cents per dozen, according to size. It comes from Florida, has a fine grain and peculiar flavor, not quite so sweet but much pleasanter than the russet Floridas, so much prized by some. The Messina and Sicily fruit, imported, can be bought at 25 and 20 cents, and Valentinas at 15 and 20, while there are some two-dozen-for-a-quarter kind in the market, but not very satisfactory fruit as yet.

WALEN. Frank A. Royce has sold his stock in trade to his brother, Fred M. Royce.

HAMPDEN. Mr. and Mrs. C. I. Burleigh had their wedding reception Monday evening. About 80 were present, many being kept at home by sickness.

BELCHERTOWN. Mrs. G. W. Demorest of Haekensack, N. J., is visiting her old home.

Mrs. Darius Morgan was thrown from a wagon Wednesday and received a broken wrist.

The Reading Club gave an enjoyable entertainment at W. E. Bridgman's Monday evening.

LUDLOW.

The Burns festival in Joy's Hall Saturday evening was an enjoyable affair, a large number being present. There were Scotch songs and recitations, and an address by Rev. G. W. Christie of Three Rivers on "Robert Burns and His Poetry."

The silver wedding of Mr. and Mrs. George Ogilvie was celebrated Tuesday evening, over 30 guests responding to the invitations sent out. A number of useful and substantial presents were given, and the evening pleasantly passed with music, readings, and in a social way. Mr. and Mrs. Ogilvie arrived from Scotland only a short time ago. They have four sons and four daughters in this country, all doing well.

BONDSVILLE.

The ladies' church social and supper was held on Wednesday afternoon and evening. Rev. G. F. Eaton of Springfield will preach here next Sunday evening at six o'clock.

Miss Jackson returned from Mrs. Spooner's at Ashland on Monday, and resumed her school.

The mid-year examination at Wilbraham Academy was held on Monday and Tuesday, Rev. E. W. Virgin being one of the examining committee.

A. L. Squier of Monson has conducted meetings in the Methodist church during the week, and considerable interest has been manifested, and several expressed a determination publicly for the first time to lead a religious life.

BRIMFIELD.

Orus E. Parker offers for sale a part of his "Tower Hill" property.

Mrs. Mary Shaw, sister of Mrs. G. M. Hitchcock, has recently suffered from facial paralysis, affecting her throat. She is at present stopping at Miltineague.

Wilson Fosket and his sister Mary of Sturbridge have bought the William Fosket place in "Little Rest," and will move in about Feb. 12. At the auction of the personal property of the late William Fosket, good hay sold as low as \$6 per ton.

The funeral services of Mrs. Marcus Hitchcock were conducted at her late residence Sunday afternoon by Rev. M. L. Richardson. Much sympathy is felt for Mr. Hitchcock, whose home is thus broken up in his old age. The devotion felt and shown for each other by the aged couple through nearly 60 years of married life is touching and worthy of imitation. Mr. H. will make his home for the present with his son, Mr. Edward Hitchcock, the market man.

WEST WARREN.

Orrin Walker has been sick with la grippe.

Mrs. Jason Bennett has been quite sick with heart trouble.

Barton & Holmes are selling out their beer and water goods very cheap.

The entertainment and dance given by the base ball club was a financial success.

Ethan Hall is building a new drug store on the Merritt lot, opposite the burned building.

George Bliss is out again after a week's illness, from getting so wet during the Crossman block fire.

Two small boys, while skating on the pond near the depot Wednesday, broke through the ice, but escaped without much wetting.

Charles P. Crossman, an old resident of this town, died in Worcester Monday of heart disease. The funeral was held at the Congregational church Wednesday afternoon.

THORNDIKE.

D. J. Sullivan has recovered from his recent illness.

The Palmer temperance society will give a grand ball here one week from to-night.

Dennis Sullivan has again returned to his position in the office of the Thorndike Co. Joseph Gerald is on the sick list, having been taken with a second attack of the grip.

Skating seems to be the favorite sport, judging from the number who visit Lawler's Pond.

A. P. Adams, who has been ill for a week or more, is well again and able to attend to his business.

The prospect is that the temperance society will put a good ball team in the field coming season.

News has been received that Maurice Healey, of Haverhill, formerly of this place, is in a very low condition, and his recovery is said to be doubtful.

The St. Mary's Temperance Society is thinking strongly of putting up a new building to be used for their headquarters, providing suitable land can be secured.

Cora Furkey, who fell down the elevator well in the mill a short time ago, is recover-

ing and wishes to state that she was not fooling with her companion at the time of the accident, as has been stated.

THREE RIVERS.

Mrs. G. W. Christie is recovering from her recent illness.

R. C. Newell has gone to New York on business this week.

The Blue Ribbon Army has been presented with some new games, the gift of Henry Buell.

The pastor of the Union church will deliver a blackboard sermon to children next Sunday morning. Everybody invited.

A number of the young people of the place made a surprise visit to Miss Bertha Palmer Tuesday evening and presented her a handsome plush toilet set, the presentation being made by Miss Francis Evers. The evening was pleasantly passed in a social way, and closed by the singing of a number of songs.

The officers of the United Workmen were installed Tuesday evening by District Deputy Symonds. After the installation a banquet was prepared in Mine Host Warren's best style, to which the Workmen did ample justice. The organization is growing rapidly, three applications for membership being received at the last meeting.

There were four of them—fine young men—who went to the opera at Springfield last Saturday night, intending to return by the midnight train via Palmer. But there is no train from Springfield for Palmer between 8.10 p. m. and 6.15 a. m., and the discovery made them somewhat sick at heart, but they heroically smiled at and comforted each other, waiting patiently for day-break. The long hours were spent in studying the architecture of the new station, and in wooing Morpheus under difficulties. At last they reached Palmer, and then the three-mile walk to Three Rivers did not seem very long. But the best of it was, not one of the four was absent from morning service at church.

WILBRAHAM.

The Ladies' benevolent society of the South church will meet in the chapel this afternoon and evening. Literary exercises have been prepared by the young people.

The day of prayer for schools and colleges was observed Thursday at the Academy. Rev. Wallace McMullen, pastor of Trinity church in Springfield, preached in the afternoon.

The officers of the Congregational Christian Endeavor Society for the present term are: President, Carrie A. Moody; vice president, James Phelps; treasurer, William H. McGuire; secretary, Mrs. Wells Phelps. The Wesleyan Club, consisting of P. W. Sweet, business manager and editor; J. W. Anderson, eloquentist and vocalist; Fred D. Pierce, violinist and tenor soloist; W. A. DeGroff, humorous reciter and violinist, and Frank Warner, pianist, gave an interesting entertainment in Central Hall, Monson, last Saturday evening.

"Pieris" held her open session last Friday evening at Fisk Hall. The debate was, "A Plea for Languages." The merits of the languages were presented as follows: French, Carrie B. Davis; German, Olive E. Smith; Greek, Mabel E. Davidson; Latin, M. Pauline Cushing. Each lady was dressed in costume of the nation she represented. Miss Pauline Cushing received the largest number of votes of the committee.

The mid-term examinations at the academy were held this week Monday and Tuesday. The board of visitors were Rev. J. R. Cushing, Rev. E. W. Virgin, Rev. L. White, Rev. A. H. Herriek, Rev. M. S. Howard, Rev. T. C. Martin, C. M. Hall, N. C. Gordon and N. C. Townsend, Dr. A. S. Flagg and S. J. Goodenough. N. C. Townsend was elected chairman and S. J. Goodenough secretary. The committee visited 44 classes and found them in good working condition. A large proportion of the professors and students have suffered from la grippe, which has interfered somewhat with the routine work, yet out of 44 classes examined 27 were reported excellent, 12 good, 2 good X, one good with exceptions, and 2 fair. There are now 245 students in the Academy. The committee examined the school appliances and farm, and then unanimously adopted resolutions commending the administration of Rev. Dr. G. M. Steele, complimenting the ability of the instructors and the earnestness and moral tone of the students.

WARREN.

Fred Stevens is quite sick with pneumonia.

The Farmers' Club meet with W. E. Patrick Friday.

The masons are at work plastering the new public library building.

The Boston and Albany Railroad has decided to build the new station on Central square.

F. A. Crafts, a farmer living on Coy's Hill, fell from a precipice Tuesday and dislocated his right shoulder.

Willie Chandler hurt his foot quite severely by a connecting rod falling on it at the Knowles pump works.

W. H. Hellyar of Boston has been appointed administrator of the estate of his late brother, C. E. Hellyar.

E. J. Spencer has been appointed secretary and treasurer of the Congregational Sunday-school, and D. L. K. Hathaway librarian.

There is to be a meeting of the Spencer Union of the Y. P. S. C. E. at West Brookfield Saturday afternoon and evening, and quite a large delegation from here is preparing to attend.

The Daughters of Rebekah presented "The Last Loaf" at the town hall last evening. Miss Marion Sterns of Springfield assisted with readings, and Messinger's Orchestra furnished music.

H. H. Hebert, of the firm of Hebert & Lolselle at West Warren, was before the court Saturday charged with the illegal sale of oleomargarine. He was found guilty and fined \$100 and costs, from which an appeal was taken.

George P. Aborn will read a paper on "A trip down the St. Lawrence," with illustrations, before the Warren mechanical and scientific association next Friday. The topical discussion for the evening will be the heating of dwellings.

A union society of the Women's Home Missionary Society and the Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor was held at the Congregational chapel Tuesday evening. Superintendent of schools Edward Ayres gave a short lecture "On Sea and Land," embodying his trip to Europe this last summer.

The lecture was illustrated by a stereopticon.

The Warren Savings Bank has made choice of these officers: President, John W. Chadsey; vice presidents, Joseph B. Lombard, Edward Fairbanks; secretary, Emory C. Sawyer; trustees, J. W. Chadsey, Stephen B. Richardson, Samuel E. Blair, Erastus F. Strickland, Cutler Moore, Charles Heritage, Moses K. Whipple, William A. Smith and John W. Tyler. The trustees chose Samuel E. Blair treasurer, and J. W. Tyler, E. F. Strickland, W. A. Smith, Cutler Moore and S. E. Blair, a board of investors.

The six-days three-hours-a-day go-as-you-please race of the Warren Athletic Club commences next Monday evening. These are the entries: John Flannery of Warren, who has been successful in a number of races in Worcester county; J. W. Murphy of Worcester; J. H. Woodworth of Worcester; Dan Malone of Springfield, who has won many such races; Nicholas McCabe of South Hadley Falls, the boy wonder, only 18 years of age; J. Bushey and F. Benway, the noted 250-yard runners of Southbridge; William Mason, the colored pedestrian of Palmer; Frank Kincaid of Cambridgeport; Charles Campbell of Boston; T. J. Dailey of Warren. The Warren Cornet Band will furnish music each evening, and will give a grand open-air concert Monday evening before the race.

MONSON.

A. L. Squier preached in Bondsville last Sunday.

Meeting of Marcus Keep Post, G. A. R., next Monday evening.

John Rogers is confined to the house by a lame ankle this week.

Marcus T. Wood has sold his Burby place to F. S. Lemon for \$550.

A Jew's-harp club has been formed, with Rogers in Pendergast's block.

Rev. T. C. Martin preached at the state primary school last Sunday morning.

At the Universalist church last Sunday \$400 was raised for the Japan mission.

A. A. Babbitt has increased his earthly possessions by a fine new upright piano.

The South Circle of King's Daughters meet with Mrs. S. E. Thrall next Monday evening.

The Young Ladies' Working Club met with Mrs. George L. Fuller on Tuesday afternoon.

G. L. Jenks has his show window full of fancy shirts, which he is making a specialty of this week.

William King and Merrill Carew have both been confined to the house this week by the grippe.

Wyles A. King moved into his recently purchased house on Bridge street last Wednesday.

Gage Bros. and W. N. Flynt & Son received a carload of fine potatoes from Michigan this week.

Henri H. Fenton has purchased a farm in Plainfield, to which he intends to remove his family in the spring.

Rogers & Co. killed an ox this week, bought of Lee Blanchard, which weighed when dressed 1407 pounds.

Fishermen captured 48 pickerel from Ellis's pond on Wednesday through the ice, also a 2½ lb. trout at the same time.

James Pendergast has just received a large stock of fine oranges. He has had a very large orange sale so far this season.

Morris & Farrington have something to say in another column which is of interest to property holders, and those who are not.

The gentlemen of the Universalist society are to give a supper and entertainment in their parlors on Tuesday evening, Feb. 11.

Newton's real estate agency has sold the Cough farm in the west part of town to George Brainard of South Hadley Falls for \$650.

Pussy-willows in blossom are seen almost daily by some one, the result of the mild winter. Rather uncommon to see them in January.

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We have just received from Chersey's looms our supply of Striped Surah Wash Silks. The colors are delightful for tennis dresses, children's dresses, blouse waists, men's shirts, or reusable suits.

The price is about the same as it will be all season, \$1 a yard.

Black Spanish Lace Scarfs that should be here before Christmas, came by "La Champagne" last week.

The prices were to be 75c. to \$6. The prices are 50c. to \$4. We have instructed our Paris office to collect the difference from the Calais manufacturer.

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cannot get on without having some degree of intelligence. It is necessary to his work, and this intelligence, getting higher and higher every year, that is necessary now in almost every branch of business, was not so necessary years ago. The inventive genius of man (which is another name for a very high order of intelligence) has revolutionized the producing power of the world, and from this very fact, the skill that was once so necessary to the hand (when the hand did so much in production) that skill is now required by what we might call the higher member—the brain.

What has occurred to me as perhaps the best way of estimating the value of intelligence to the working man of to-day, is to go back for some years and briefly note, here and there, those things that have tended to raise the intelligence, and with it the life of the working classes—some of those things which have altered the whole conditions of their life in fact, and see in these circumstances factors to the advancement of intelligence, and from the fact of such an advance the necessity of an ever increasing and higher intelligence.

The lot of daily labor is necessarily a severe lot. You will remember that this condition has attached to the mass of mankind since the beginning of our race, and I suppose will attach to us to the end. But happy is the man well employed—misericord, in my opinion, is the title man. The laboring man for instance is happy in respect of his having useful employment, and of his being able to make it a means of self-support, but at the same time though it might be an unacceptance I think it is an undeniable truth that daily labor continued from morning to night, continued from year's end to year's end, continued from boyhood to old age, is a severe and trying lot. It is most desirable that such alleviations of that lot, such aids to those who have to undergo it as could be provided for them, should be freely and liberally provided. Now I will not try to point out even briefly all the remarkable alleviations and improvements that have come to the masses of working men in the last 40 or 50 years, but will content myself with one or two out of the great multitude, and will confine myself to those that have come from what I might call the advancing intelligence. There may be much yet to do, much yet to desire, (and I have no doubt but there is) but the changes for the alleviation of the lot of the workingman which many of us, in our not very long lives, have seen, have been great and blessed ones. The school is now at every person's door, and that under more favorable conditions than it ever has been. Moreover, it is not as it used to be—a place of suffering, a place of tyranny, a place very often of ignorance, useless in many cases for the purposes which it professed to attend to. It is not now so rare to find a teacher with his mind set upon his work, and I believe there is often a great infusion of love and tenderness into that work—a strong sentiment of attachment to the pupils under instruction, and that is quite certain to bear fruit in the lives and characters of these pupils. Our schools (and by this term, while including, I do not imply American schools only) but is there any doubt that our schools have been the foundation upon which the advancing intelligence has been built? Then this intelligence, broadened and deepened there, has been turned to good account in every-day life and work, and we see this on every hand in the changed condition of things, and among many others I may single out one—the progress and development of mechanical appliances. Now machinery when it is first introduced has often appeared to be cruel to the working man. The first stage of its application has often entailed, and may entail in given circumstances a good deal of individual hardship to the working man as a whole, but in the long run it has been an enormous blessing to him. For what does it do? I remember when I was quite a youth going to see an iron works, where the men who were employed were stripped to the waist on account of the violence of the exertion required, and the heat of the temperature, for these men were employed in hammering what are called boiler plates. To me it was a fine sight, those grand muscular men with their enormous hammers. But this I also remember, that some years after I went to see a very large iron works, where over 5000 men were employed. I went through the whole of that work, and I did not see one single individual undergoing what could be called violent exercise, although the same branch of industry, boiler making, was carried on here. Most of them were doing work that was very useful; many of them work that required great skill and great attention, but I did not see a man who was undergoing violent or exhausting exercise. Now this is one of the effects of intelligence as brought to bear on mechanics—it has produced the wonderful machinery of to-day. Now machinery devolves upon a power that does not suffer, and that is perfectly effective to accomplish, when directed by human intelligence, that which formerly constituted the most oppressive and difficult portion of the labor of the mass of the population. But first there was the keen, intelligent mind to see the need and opportunity, and the practical (often combined) to work out and put into shape; and then there follows the whole train of circumstances arising from this accomplished fact, that creates a demand for a still higher intelligence.

Then again, who can measure the great good and advancement of intelligence in almost every class, but especially among working men, that machinery, as directed to locomotion, has been the means of accomplishing. Before there was what we might call free locomotion, the laboring man for many reasons could not get the full value of his labor. In order to obtain the full value of any commodity that you want to dispose of it is necessary that you should not be tied down to one single market. All those of you who are men of business are perfectly aware of that. It is necessary to have a choice of markets. Labor was the commodity the working man had to sell, but he had no choice of markets. There was no freedom of locomotion in the country, no chance for a working man in one part of the country to see what was going on in another part, because of the expense, the time, and the difficulty of movement. See what the locomotion of the country now is, how through our railways, daily press and tele-

graph, all the facts of one part of a country (I might almost say of the world) are known to another in a single day; and for a small sum a working man can travel from one town to another and quickly inform himself on that which is so vital for him to know.

And so on, one after another of those things could be mentioned that have advanced and enhanced the value of intelligence—not of a class, not of a nation only, but of the whole race of mankind; but among no part of the great human family has this advance been so pronounced as among that known as the working men. The advancing intelligence has changed the environments of their lives more than any others; and let it not be forgotten that it is to their own class, to the intelligence and genius, in a great measure, of their own brother working men, that this great improvement in their condition has come about, that the whole race have been elevated.

Here (if the length of my paper had admitted) I might have spoken at some length of such factors in this improvement as the cheap postal system, the great philanthropic movement of the past 40 years, the means now at every one's hand for a higher mental improvement, the opportunities for instruction in science and art (would that they were more) that working men now have, and (as a proof of the advancing value of intelligence to working men), the necessity for this knowledge if they are not contented to get antiquated. I was almost going to say if they are not contented to have their bread and butter taken from them by their more energetic and intelligent brothers. Place the most skilled workman of 30 or 40 years ago, in almost any branch of industry, with the workman of to-day, and he would have to admit that though his knowledge and skill was equalled by few in his time, that now things were so changed, the conditions (in every sense) under which men worked, that now, with all his skill he was quite out of the race.

I would say from my own experience that workmen generally make a great mistake in taking a very narrow view of their own educational requirements. It is difficult for example to make them understand that a knowledge of intimately associated branches of their trade, is likely to prove serviceable to them. That in order to become efficient foremen, it is necessary that they should possess an intelligent and comprehensive acquaintance with the entire area of the work in which they are engaged. I saw recently in reading an address by the secretary of a technological school, that even there workmen were showing this same peculiarity of character. They generally care to learn in the school very little more than they might learn in the shop. Their desire is to learn those parts only of a subject which seems to them to be intimately connected with their special occupation. Now it was partly to correct the cramping influence of the extreme division of labor that to-day technical instruction is deemed necessary. But I have no doubt but men will soon see it is to their advantage (and bear in mind that is a powerful motive to a working man, though not at all peculiar to him) I have no doubt they will see it is to their advantage to have a wider and more comprehensive course of instruction. These institutions are comparatively new, and perhaps not fully understood or appreciated, but like our own day schools, which began their work with a course of reading, writing and arithmetic, a course that was often supposed to be completed with a bare knowledge of the rudiments of these branches; but they have grown with the advancing intelligence of the people, and the standard is tending higher. And so it will be, I believe with all these new sources of learning—they are only in the three R's as yet—their future may be imagined, but it wants a vivid imagination to do that.

I have no doubt that in these days of the great progress of natural science, there must be multitudes of working men, in almost every walk of industry, who are desirous to turn to the best account, all the opportunities they may enjoy of laying hold of some of the branches of natural science.

There are none of them that are not useful, and are an enormous advantage in the aggregate, and the field is open to all. I suppose there is hardly any person who may not learn some, and may not do something in them. How often have we had to recognize the working man as the father of the best and most valuable inventions. Every working man has a fair chance of making himself useful, and doing himself good, by keeping his eyes open, observing his work, and the conditions under which he performs it, and studying how those conditions can be improved, how labor can be economized, and how useful products can be brought to the surface of the earth, or fitted for the service of man by better means of executing the work they have in hand. This I believe is a very fruitful field, open to every working man, and a field in which many and many a working man has gained advantage for himself, and at the same time done a great service to his fellow creatures; but bear in mind (and this is the point) that this field can only be entered by (to some extent at least) an intelligent mind, seeking a higher and wider scope for its development. A working man without intelligence must stand outside. But here do not let me be misunderstood. When I speak of a working man without intelligence, I refer to the man who has not used, and will not use the gifts and opportunities which God has given him. It should be the determination of every man, and especially of every working man to turn to good account these advantages, whether they be small or great. If his condition is capable of improvement, let him recollect what was the condition of his father, and grandfather, and great-grandfather, who brought him into the world, and let him resolve, with the help of God, to make the best of the circumstances in which he lives, and depend upon it as a general rule, if he acts upon that principle, as a man he will derive very considerable results from the just and careful use, even of means which are narrow in themselves.

The value of intelligence to the working man cannot be justly estimated if we confine that value to the individual, or even to the class. In that consideration we only get one side of the subject, and a small one. The value of intelligence to the working man reaches far wider and higher than himself, or his brother working man. It permeates every class of society, we see its value around us everywhere we look; in

the conveniences of our every day life, in the subjection of much that has hitherto been considered beyond the power of man to his use and benefit.

And again we see the value of intelligence to the working man, because from that body a great proportion of our truly great men have come, and will continue to come, and in no country have we more striking illustrations of this truth than in America. If this body is to be, as it has been, a source from which a very considerable supply of our leading soldiers, sailors, statesmen, divines, lawyers, doctors, men of science, engineering and business enterprise is to come, we cannot have too much intelligence there, the higher the better, not only for that body themselves, but for the whole human family.

Then again, in that great problem which occupies a most important position in the minds of all thinking men, and which is discussed under so many different heads, but may be summed up in the term capital and labor, how valuable is intelligence to the working man there! In all the labor troubles that have arisen, have you noticed that the more intelligent the laborer, the more easy the adjustment of the difference.

We have had strikes on a large scale among workmen in those branches of industry where some degree of education and intelligence is necessary to their work, but never any serious trouble; it is when we get down to the miners of Pennsylvania, largely made up of people with little or no education, it is when we get there that we have violence and bloodshed, arson and murder. Capital everywhere has acknowledged that their greatest trouble has been not with the educated workman, but with the ignorant one. And while saying this, I would not, for a moment, have you understand that it is my opinion that all these labor troubles are due to the ignorance of the workman. The suspicion rather is aroused in my mind, that seeing trouble is much more frequent, and much more violent between this class and their employers—the suspicion is aroused that their very ignorance, in many cases, is being imposed on by men without very much soul or honor—men whose charity and humanity would be considerably enlarged if they themselves had to solve the problem of how to live and keep a wife and family on eighty cents or a dollar a day.

I have not made any attempt to go deeply into this subject, or to follow to the end the thoughts on it that I have given expression to in the paper, rather contenting myself with a presentation of it in such a way that it might be readily discussed by the meeting. And in concluding, might I add a sentence or two of what you might call advice to my brother working men, and it is this—that more of their spare time might be spent in the society of good books, and books are delightful society. If you go into a room filled with books, even without taking them down from their shelves, they seem to speak to you, seem to welcome you, seem to tell you that inside their covers they have something that will be for your good, and that they are willing and desirous to impart it to you. But let every one read with the idea that the education of man is not a mere storage of goods in his mind. The mind of man, I have somewhere heard, compared to a warehouse that ought to be filled with a quantity of commodities, that he may take out and deliver, and distribute according to the occasions of life. Well that is true as far as it goes, but it goes a very little way, for commodities may be taken into a warehouse, and may be given out of it, but the warehouse remains just the same as it was before, or perhaps a little the worse for wear. But this is not the case with the mind of man. No doubt we are to seek the knowledge that is useful for the temporal purposes of life, but we should not forget that the purpose for which man lives is the improvement of the man himself. It is in order that he may go out of this world having, as he hopes, in a great sphere, or a small one, done some little good for his fellow creatures, labored a little to diminish the sin and the sorrow that are in the world. This, and not the mere taking in of what is called useful knowledge in order to deal it out again, is the great and supreme purpose of education; and in this way one will be using that great blessing for the end that will accomplish most in this world.

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WEST VIRGINIA'S governorship has been settled after many months in favor of Fleming, Democrat, the vote standing 43 for Fleming and 40 for Goff.

BIENNIAL sessions of the Legislature would bring one inestimable blessing,—this endless Beverly Farms agitation would have a rest every other year. Give us biennials!

It cost the state only \$14,630 to print and distribute the ballots at the last election. It would have cost the candidates and their friends several times that sum under the old system. This is progress in the right direction.

NEW YORK'S new aqueduct, which is to convey the Croton water to the city in the course of a few months, is the greatest tunnel in the world, being thirty-three and one-eighth miles long, and it contains brick enough to build a good-sized town. The city has long needed an addition to its water supply.

THE New Hampshire forestry commission proposes to avert the threatened denouement of the White and Franconia mountain ranges by asking the Legislature to take possession of the whole region and make it a vast state park. Everybody but the lumbermen will say "Amen" to this, and it cannot be done too quickly.

PRESIDENT HARRISON'S cabinet is passing through deep waters of affliction. The recent death of Secretary Blaine's son was closely followed by the sudden death, on Sunday, of his oldest daughter, Mrs. Coplinger, after a brief illness. Then came the terrible desolation of Secretary Tracy's home on Monday. The sympathy of the country will go out strongly to the afflicted ones; and well may we say, "There is but a step between me and death."

BRATTLEBORO has settled the question of a new postmaster in a way which ought to satisfy the people, or a majority of them at any rate. Polls were opened, and all the Republican patrons of the office, male and female, were allowed to vote, the result being 467 votes for Childs, the Democratic incumbent, and 401 for Hines, who had been "slated" for the place. Hines and his friends are dissatisfied, of course, but it isn't in the nature of things for the minority to be suited.

THERE has been a lively row in Congress the past week over what the Democrats have termed Speaker Reed's arbitrary and revolutionary ruling. The Democrats have resorted to the usual tactics of the minority when they are opposed to a measure, in sitting silently in their seats and refusing to vote, so that a count would show a quorum had not voted. In this way a filibustering minority has been able to obstruct business as long as it may see fit, as it has been customary for the speaker to rule that a quorum was not present, under those conditions, though every member might be in his seat. The majority has therefore been at the mercy of the minority at all times, unless it had a clear majority of its own members in their places. The evil has long been recognized by both parties, but it has seemed impossible to remedy it. But when a contested election case was taken up last week and the Democrats refused to respond to their names, Speaker Reed took the names of several, instructed the clerk to record the fact that they were present, making a quorum, and declared the motion carried. The Democrats raged and howled, but the speaker was immovable and they had to submit. The idea that a member who is present must be counted absent because he keeps his mouth shut when his vote is called for is preposterous, and the speaker's decision will facilitate the business of the house immensely.

THE FATAL FLAMES.

A shocking calamity occurred at Washington Monday morning, in the burning of the house of Secretary Tracy, of the navy department, and the death of his wife, daughter and a French maid. The fire was discovered about 7 o'clock and was well under way. Mrs. Tracy dropped from the window of her room in the second story to the court below, and received injuries from which she died in an hour. Secretary Tracy was overcome by the smoke, but was rescued by a policeman and the chief of the fire department, who rushed up the burning staircase and managed to drag him to a window. He was taken down a ladder, almost dead from asphyxiation, and it was several hours before he fully recovered his senses. A married daughter, Mrs. Wilmersdorf, and her daughter, Alice, jumped from a second story window, escaping with some severe injuries. Mary, the other daughter, was suffocated in the hallway, and the French maid was burned to death in her room on the upper floor. President Harrison was promptly on the scene, and it was from his lips that the Secretary learned the sad news of the death of his wife and daughter, whose bodies were taken to the White House, where the funeral services were held Wednesday forenoon.

OTHER FIRES.

An Italian tenement house on North street, Boston, was burned soon after midnight Sunday morning, and nine persons were burned to death, three others fatally injured, and several others more or less seriously injured. It is thought the fire started in a clothing store on the first floor, and the flames soon enveloped the narrow stairways, cutting off all retreat for the tenants up stairs, a number of whom were rescued from the windows with ladders. A few hours later the fine marble Sears Building, corner of Washington and Court streets, was gutted by fire, causing a loss of about \$200,000. For a time it looked as if Young's Hotel and other adjoining buildings must go too, but the firemen succeeded in confining the flames to the one building.

Five large business blocks at Danbury, Conn., were burned early Sunday morning, at a loss of some \$300,000.

Portland, Me., was visited by a fire Wednesday night which partially or wholly destroyed three wharves and several buildings, at a loss of about \$125,000.

LOCAL NOTICES.

Live fish bait, wholesale and retail, at F. C. Hatch's.

Most of the white soap is "cold pressed," but the excellent qualities of Brussels soap are obtained by boiling.

Money loaned on personal security. S. H. Healey.

A "cold process" soap cannot have the strength and lasting qualities of a boiled soap. Brussels is a boiled soap.

Don't forget that Cape Cod turkeys are a luxury. F. C. Hatch.

Gent's Hand Sewed Boots and Shoes for sale at F. M. Eager's.

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Wanted. A capable girl to do general housework, such as washing, cooking, etc., for a small family. Address or call with references. Mrs. W. A. Jenks, High Street, Warren, Mass.

PALMER AND VICINITY.

St. Valentine's day next Friday.

Mrs. L. M. Burleigh is visiting friends in New York.

Blue-birds were seen and heard in the village Tuesday.

Mrs. L. M. Shaw has gone to Hartford for a stay of a week.

Rev. H. W. Pope and family have been out of town this week.

Miss Sena Webber of Brimfield is the guest of Mrs. L. E. Chandler.

Rev. H. W. Pope spoke to the children at the state primary school last Sunday.

Miss Mary Coles of Brimfield was the guest of Miss Abbie Reed a few days last week.

Engineer Isaac Kenerson of the Ware River road is laid up with the grippe this week.

J. A. White of Southbridge, a former business man of Palmer, was in town yesterday.

Two runaways from the state primary school were captured at Stafford Springs Tuesday.

Rev. W. H. Gould of Netick will preach at St. Paul's Universalist church next Sunday.

Mrs. Rose Carter, who has been sick for about two months, has recovered and gone to her home in Springfield.

The teachers at the state primary school will return to-night from their vacation, to resume duties next Monday.

A letter was received at the postoffice one day this week addressed to the "President of the village, Palmer, Mass."

Thomas Daley, sentenced from this place to the house of correction, has been pardoned by the county commissioners.

The W. C. T. U. will hold a meeting in the parlors of the Congregational church next Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

The services of 40 hours' devotion have been held at St. Thomas Catholic church this week, closing yesterday morning.

Miss E. M. Fullington, principal of the schools at the state primary school, has returned from her trip to the Adirondacks.

Charles McManamy had a thumb somewhat mangled by getting it caught in the machinery at the carpet mill last Friday.

The annual oyster supper of the ladies of St. Paul's church Tuesday evening was not as largely attended as usual, on account of the storm.

Willie, the 6-year-old son of Daniel Crimmins at Palmer Center, had his arm broken last Friday while at the barn feeding the horse.

New London parties were in town yesterday looking for 8000 tons of ice, but not finding it continued north to Vermont and New Hampshire.

The North Wilbraham parish connected with St. Thomas' Catholic church is to hold a bazaar at that place next Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

E. P. Phetteplace, clerk in the Boston and Albany freight house, is acting as agent at West Warren for a month, while Agent Rood takes a vacation.

Edward Young, for the fraudulent conveyance of personal property, had a hearing at the district court Monday, the case being continued to next Monday.

The teachers in the grammar building in this village were given Wednesday to visit schools, most of them improving the opportunity by taking a look at those in Ware.

The annual meeting of the Board of Trade will be held at its room in Strong's block next Monday evening at 7.30, for the election of officers and the transaction of other business.

A handsome crayon portrait of Father Hart is on exhibition in Dwyer & Sullivan's window, and will be disposed of in connection with the bazaar at North Wilbraham next week.

Ernest Shaw, for some time a nurse at the state primary school, has resigned to take a position as draughtsman with the Knowles pump works at Warren. His place as nurse is taken by John Sears.

Not much danger thus far this winter of water pipes freezing up. An examination of the ground on Wednesday showed that there was only about two inches of frost below the four inches of mud on the surface.

Invitations are out for the marriage, the 18th, of Miss Emily O. Dewey, daughter of C. E. Dewey, and Henry B. May, a paper manufacturer of Lee. The ceremony will be at the home of the bride on South Main street.

Some of the married men of the village have arranged for a social party at the Weeks House next Friday evening. There will be dancing and whist, and a supper such as only Landford Weeks knows how to prepare.

Several members of Thomas lodge of Masons attended the funeral of Landford Wells of the Swift River hotel at Enfield Sunday. Mr. Wells was the treasurer of Bethel lodge of Enfield, and was buried with Masonic honors.

The second farmers' institute will be held at the Weeks House next Tuesday, commencing at 10 a. m. Mr. E. B. Lynde of West Brookfield will open the meeting with a talk on "Seeds," and others will follow, giving their experience. All are invited.

Three persons from Glendale were suddenly deposited in the mud of West Main street near C. B. Fiske's house last Friday evening by the breaking of the king-bolt of the wagon. No serious damage, except to outer garments, which were pretty well covered with mud.

A member of young people from this place attended the three counties convention of Christian Endeavor and other young people's societies at Holyoke Monday. Miss Emma Dewey read a paper on "Temperance Work," and Rev. H. W. Pope had charge of the question box.

Those who took notice of the moon about 7 o'clock Monday evening were treated to a pretty sight, and one which is rather rare. Surrounding the moon were two distinct rings, in which were plainly seen all the colors of the rainbow, sharp and clear. The phenomenon lasted but a short time, clouds cutting off the view.

The Y. P. S. C. E. held a pleasant social Tuesday evening in the vestry of the Congregational church, though the storm prevented the attendance of many. The room was tastefully decorated with rugs, potted plants, etc., a short musical programme was given, and cake, with hot coffee and chocolate, were served free to all.

The tax-collector has commenced giving legal notices to tax-payers who have neglected to pay their last year's taxes. The fire district is so much in need of funds that he has been obliged to make legal demands for accounts unpaid, having been notified by the prudential committee that money must be had to pay overdue accounts.

The ladies' society of the Congregational church has voted to pay the expenses of wiring the church for incandescent electric lights if the parish will allow them to do so, and pay for the use of the lights, and a parish meeting has been called for next Thursday evening after the usual prayer-meeting, to see if such permission will be granted.

At the probate court in Springfield Tuesday, administration was granted on the estates of—Samuel S. Hollingsworth, late of Wilbraham, Amelia L. Hollingsworth, late of Ludlow, Mary Dempsey administratrix; Sarah E. Mason, late of Palmer, William D. Mason administratrix. The will of Joseph McCallum, late of Ludlow, Margaret McCallum executrix, was approved of.

Quite a crowd at the union station Wednesday saw a Three Rivers man jump from the express which passes Palmer at 1.15 p. m. for Boston but does not stop. He dropped off just east of the tank house, bounded like a rubber ball and then rolled down the bank. His face was somewhat scratched up, but he was not seriously hurt. He wouldn't come near the station, but sent word that he shouldn't try it again.

Just after the boat train started south on the New London Northern road last night Conductor Cody found a man who was drunk, had no ticket, wouldn't pay and wouldn't get off. He accordingly stopped the train near Holden's mill and backed to the station, where James Goff of Monson was handed over to Officer Dawson. He appeared at the district court this morning, and subsequently a warrant was served on Cary Bros. for selling him liquor while drunk. Some interesting facts are expected at the hearing.

The special meetings at the Baptist church this week, conducted by Rev. O. D. Thomas of Brockton, have been marked by a deep spiritual interest and a large and increasing attendance. Nearly thirty have expressed a desire to become Christians, and others are deeply interested. There will be preaching in the audience room this evening, and to-morrow afternoon at 3 o'clock Mr. Thomas will give an illustrated address to the young people and children. Preaching morning and evening on Sunday, and it is expected that the ordinance of baptism will be administered. Next week there will be meetings every evening except Saturday, and afternoon meetings beginning Tuesday, with young people's meeting, illustrated, Saturday afternoon. Subject of Sunday evening sermon, "Household Salvation, or a Safe Sea Voyage"; Monday evening, "Some of the Products of the Devil's Manufactory."

Successful Liquor Raids.

Two successful raids were made on liquor dealers last Sunday. T. J. Chalk at Tenneyville and Edward Burns of Thorndike being the victims. About 11 o'clock in the morning Officers Healey and Dawson went down Park street to Chalk's place, and opened the door of the house before the inmates knew of their presence. In a bed-room down stairs the officers found a jug containing about two quarts of rum, and a quart bottle with about a pint of wine in it. In the wood-shed was a box marked "W. P. & Co., B. A. R. R. Palmer, Mass.," and in the box was a 10-gallon keg of whisky, which Chalk claimed belonged to the above-named firm. Outside, near the corn-crib, the officers could smell the "critter" strongly, but were unable to find anything for some time, but finally discovered the end of a small rubber hose which was still wet from recent use, the other end being connected with a keg containing five or six gallons of rum, which was hidden inside the crib. Chalk denied all knowledge of this—didn't know how it came there. It has been noted for some time that there was a good deal of travel Sundays by Palmer residents toward Tenneyville, and Chalk has been suspected of doing quite a Sunday business. It is said, however, that the direct cause of the raid was a man who a short time ago bought some liquor of Chalk, giving a \$20 bill in payment. When his change was handed him it was about \$18 short, and being unable to get what was due him he "gave the thing away."

In the afternoon Officers Healey and Bowen called on Edward Burns at Thorndike, and found a large jug containing about two quarts of whisky, and a bottle with about a pint in it. It somewhat surprised Burns to be called on Sunday, as he remarked to the officers: "Why, this is Sunday! Can you do this Sunday?" They rather thought they could. Monday he appeared before the court and pleaded guilty, paying \$62.20 and faithfully promising to go out of the business at once.

Burns is not in good health, and the prospect of imprisonment if convicted had no charms for him.

WEST WARREN.

The widow of Michael Katon has been granted a pension.

W. F. Taylor has taken out a license as auctioneer, and is ready to serve the public at reasonable prices.

The Three Rivers and Bondsville dramatic clubs will present "Leah, the Forsaken," at Washington Hall this evening, followed by a social dance.

BRIMFIELD.

Edward Hitchcock is able to walk out, but seems feeble.

Auction of personal property of the late J. K. Fay Saturday.

One or two real estate transactions are likely to take place in a few days.

H. F. Brown has recovered sufficiently so he occasionally appears on the street.

La Grippe had a strong grip on him.

The primary department of the Center school is closed for the remainder of the term because of the illness of the teacher, Miss Kilne.

BELCHERTOWN.

Miss Hattie Dwight is spending the month in Boston.

The Belchertown creamery has completed its creamery and begun business.

Oscar Brown, a son of Charles Brown, died of pneumonia Sunday evening at the age of 22. He was a member of the Congregational church and one of the promising young men of the village.

There is some prospect of having a boot and shoe manufactory in town. J. R. Gould has offered to give the rent of his shop for three years, and will put up 12 tenement houses for the employees. The firm employs from 50 to 100 hands, and the citizens will abate the taxes for five years and give the rent for two years.

WILBRAHAM.

Mrs. Gillette, who has been spending several weeks in New York, has returned.

Mrs. Warren of Cambridge has been visiting her father, J. M. Merrick, the past week.

Rev. J. M. Smallwood of the Academy spoke in the Methodist church at Warren last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. P. Knowlton are staying for the present with their daughter, Mrs. T. S. King of Palmer.

Rev. L. White preached at the Congregational church last Sunday, Rev. M. S. Howard being out of town.

Rev. M. S. Howard delivered a poem at the dedication of the new library building at South Yarmouth last week.

The officers of the Willing Workers society are: President, Miss Fannie Merrick; vice president, Carrie Moody; secretary and treasurer, Ida Bolles.

BONDVILLE.

The gentlemen propose to have an oyster supper in the vestry of the church next Wednesday evening. All the work to be done by the men. The executive committee is Messrs. Packard, Ryther and Shumway. Admission will be free; supper twenty-five cents.

Mrs. Russell, mother of Richard and Charles Russell of this village, while making her way to her room from an up-stairs hall-way on Tuesday evening, made a mistake and fell down stairs, breaking both her arms and receiving severe bruises on head and body. She was attended by Dr. H. A. Smith and the broken bones were set, but congestion of the brain is feared. She is seventy years of age and is living with her daughter, Mrs. Thomas Bruce.

An interesting reception was given to the primary class of the Sunday-school at the parsonage Wednesday afternoon from three to four o'clock by the pastor, Rev. E. W. Virgin, and wife. In the evening the church and congregation were invited. Refreshments were served to about eighty, including the children. In the afternoon entertainment was furnished by a piano recital by Miss Warren, a song by Miss Warren and Miss Jackson, and a duet on the piano by Miss Warren and Miss Whiting, and social singing led by Mr. Packard and accompaniment by Miss Viola Packard.

WALLES.

W. Royce has sold his blacksmith shop to Frank Towne of Union.

Mrs. A. P. Pepper shows an egg from a late pullet measuring $3\frac{1}{2}$ by $3\frac{1}{2}$.

Ice on the ponds is from 5 to 8 inches thick, but none has been cut as yet.

La Grippe keeps its hold. Some have been great sufferers, having been confined to the bed several weeks.

Assignee Ladd was in town Wednesday, preparing to render his account in the insolvency court Saturday.

The stock is to be removed from the Dell to the Illegau mill in a few days, and with new stock will be finished up and the mill kept running.

New York railroad men have been looking over the surveyed route, and report the grade easier than shown by Mr. Gillman's survey and say it will surely go through.

Miss Bell Brooks has resigned her position in the grammar school, and Miss Bertha Bryant has taken her scholars up to the grammar department, where she will, owing to the small number of scholars, teach both grades. Sickness has reduced the number one-half.

Rev. Mr. Phelps of Westfield preached at the Baptist church last Sunday. Rev. H. P. Smith will preach next Sunday, and on Tuesday there will be a fellowship meeting in the afternoon and evening. Several ministers will be present to take part. The neighboring churches are cordially invited to attend.

THORNDIKE.

Query? Is the Literary Club a thing of the past?

Several from this place attended the Owl's dance at Ware last evening.

Charles and Granger Clark, who have been home on a vacation, have returned to Boston.

A large number from this place attended a surprise party at West Warren Saturday evening, and enjoyed a pleasant time.

Edwards and Gerald, pupils of Hugh Burke on the banjo, are progressing rapidly in their studies, and will soon be heard in public.

About 300 were present at the auction at

Shady Lawn Hotel on Wednesday. The farm was sold to Frank Root of this place for \$4950.

The Christian Endeavor society is planning to engage the services of the Brown University Glee Club for a concert in the near future.

The temperance society contemplates giving an entertainment on March 17, for the benefit of the temperance base ball club for the season of 1890.

The young people had a rainy night for their social and entertainment this week, but despite that drawback to its being a financial success, those who ventured out had a pleasant time.

When will the selectmen put up those street lights? Is the question. It is suggested that they see to this matter before long if they would count on any votes for reelection from this village.

George F. Wilson, formerly of this place, for the last six years with the Pacific Mills at Lawrence, has accepted a position as master mechanic at the Mass. Cotton Mills, Lowell, and commenced his duties there Jan. 1st.

A horse attached to one of Lamont's wood teams took fright and ran down the street the other day. The horse was secured without much difficulty, having one of his feet caught in the wagon. One of the front wheels was broken off the wagon.

The dance to be given next Friday evening by the Bicycle Club, promises to be a grand affair. Nearly all the tickets are sold, and a good time is assured those who attend. Lyons & Luman's orchestra will furnish the music, and Chadwick of Westfield will prompt.

A petition is being circulated by the temperance society of this place, asking the stockholders of the Thorndike Co. for land on which to erect a building for the St. Mary's Temperance Society. The site suggested is the lot adjoining the School street one, and one that would be very acceptable for a building such as the society contemplates erecting providing they can get the land. Agent Hobbs is in favor of the scheme, and will give his support to the society.

WARREN.

Mr. Toussaint Amelle is enlarging his house.

Mr. and Mrs. Chadsey spent last Sabbath in New York.

Newell Shepard is preparing to build a new house this spring.

The Round Table met with Mrs. Fred Kimball Wednesday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Fairbanks spent last Sabbath with Mrs. A. Fairbanks.

Dr. J. W. Hastings attended the meeting of the state board at Boston Tuesday.

The Iliberians will hold a fair three evenings next week at the Town Hall.

Last Sunday Rev. D. O. Clark exchanged with Rev. B. M. Frink of West Brookfield.

The Young People's Literary Society met Thursday evening with Mrs. Frank L. Harwood.

The Auxilliary to the W. B. M. met Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. Joseph Ramsdell.

Captain Albert W. Powers of Sandusky, O., has been making a short visit in town with his parents.

The Women's Foreign Missionary Society held its first meeting of the season Thursday at the house of F. P. Warren.

J. Dailey, Jr., son of the late Deacon Dailey, died Tuesday. His funeral was held Thursday at the Catholic church.

The Daughters of Rebekah netted \$45 from their presentation of the drama "The Last Leaf," last week Thursday evening.

Dr. C. A. De Land will read a paper on "Color-blindness" before the Mechanical and Scientific Association Friday evening.

Next Sunday will conclude the series of Sunday evening responsive services at the Congregational church. They have been well attended.

J. C. Freeman and wife of South Warren were given a surprise party Saturday evening in honor of the 25th anniversary of their marriage. Many gifts were received.

Rev. Mr. Smallwood of Wilbraham preached at the Methodist church last Sunday. He was a slave, and his parents were separated by being sold, but are now living together again.

The prize for the nearest guess to the number of seeds in a big squash in the show window of Tarbell Bros., clothiers, was won by C. S. Hitchcock. There were 402 seeds, and his guess was 401 $\frac{1}{2}$. He gets \$10 worth of goods. The guesses ranged from 1 to 3000.

The six-days, three-hours-a-day race of the Warren Athletic Club commenced Monday evening with eight starters, Flannery of Warren taking the lead at the first and holding it. Malone of Springfield tried hard to hold him the first night but could not do it, losing a half mile in the first ten, and lost distance Tuesday on account of a severe cold on his chest. Cole and Mason had many fine spurts the first night, but Cole dropped out after making seven miles. Malone retired Wednesday night, but will give a five-mile exhibition sprint to-morrow night. Coles challenges any man in Warren to wrestle him the best three in five bouts, catch-as-catch-can. To-night Prof. Kimball of Hartford will give an exhibition of club swinging. The score for the first four nights, to date, is as follows:

	M. L.	N. L.	N. L.	M. L.
Flannery of Warren	43-11	62-9	24-3	
Benway of Southbridge	20-9	40-0	20-12	20-2
Mason of Palmer	18-20	32-11	25-0	75-2
Bushby of Southbridge	18-5	36-9	50-11	61-6
Malone of Springfield	19-17	36-3	45-17	
Boyd of Warren	18-5	36-3		
Woodworth of Worcester	10-7			
Cole of Palmer	18-5	36-3		

MONSON.

F. D. Beach is rebuilding his hen house, which was burned last December.

Large quantities of good-sized pickled were taken from Ellis' pond Monday.

Meetings at Moulton Hill and Pease districts next Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Meal has reached the low price of 85 cts. per hundred, the lowest that it has been for years.

Harrison Howe of Flynt's store recently picked an arbutus bud, making one think that spring is near.

G. H. Newton has been appointed administrator, with will annexed, of the estate of the late Roxanna Hitchcock.

Rev. Mr. Fisher of the Universalist church is to exchange pulpits with Rev. O. L. Darling of Warren next Sunday.

Miss Lottie Moulton returned from Flushing, L. I., Tuesday with her brother Jesse, who has been quite sick there.

Rev. T. C. Martin of the Methodist

church will exchange pulpits next Sunday with Rev. W. C. Gordon of Brookfield.

Preaching in the auditorium of the Methodist church next Sunday evening at 7 o'clock, by Rev. W. C. Gordon of Brookfield.

Monson had the appearance of being a farming village yesterday, there being a yoke of oxen at one time in front of Central block.

Frank Bliss and W. J. Randall, of H. Hodges & Co., are now boarding at the Monson House, having changed from the Cushman House.

Charles Merrick has moved his stock of musical goods to Chapin's block, and has added a fine line of confectionery. He has a very pretty store.

The Windsor Club is arranging for a pool tournament and a series of card parties. A committee has also been appointed to arrange for entertainments.

John S. Bogan has opened a meat market in the basement of his block, corner of Main and Lincoln streets, having in his employ the veteran meat-cutter, E. P. Newton.

E. L. Morris of Amherst College, and Miss Alice Brockbank and Miss Mary Peck of the Boston Conservatory of Music, spent last Sunday in town with their parents.

Henry Barlow has a last May's pullet which laid its first egg this week. It measured 8 inches in circumference one way and 6 inches the other, and weighed 4 ounces.

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AMONG THE PARAGRAPHERS.

ILLUMENED.
His arms with strong and firm embrace Her dainty form enfold, And she had blushed her sweet consort When he his story told.

"And do you swear to keep your truth?" She asked with loving air; He gazed into her upturned face, "Yes, by yon star I swear."

A year passed by, his love grew cold, Of his heart she'd lost the helm; She blamed his fault, but the fact was this— The tree was a slippery elm.

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What strange ideas some people have in regard to the entertainment of children. One Christmas time I attended a Christmas entertainment in a church; a live, active, intelligent membership it had, too, and no country church it was neither. It was well located in a busy city of 100,000 inhabitants. I was a stranger in the city, stranded there by a blizzard, and, looking over the evening papers to see where I should go to be entertained, saw an advertisement of this Christmas "entertainment." I went to the church, and it was crowded with grown folks and eager, bright-eyed, expectant little ones. And this is the way the committee on "amusement" entertained them.

1. Dirge on the organ. The programme did not give the name of the dirge, but it was played with a wailing melancholy that made your flesh creep. I thought that I must have stumbled upon a "Good Friday" exercise, but another glance at the programme again assured me that this "dirge" was the initial number of the birthday exercises. "Queer way to celebrate a birthday," I thought, but as it was none of my funeral, I said nothing, which was perhaps the wisest thing I ever said.

2. A middle-aged mourner followed the dirge with a recitation about a little boy who died rather than tell a lie. The moral was grand indeed, but somehow the introduction of an early and tragic death in the second number of the "entertainment" seemed to have a depressing effect upon the congregation. Still, I thought, perhaps the committee had wisely decided to kill off all the objectionable characters early in the evening, and have lots of fun at the wake.

3. A subversive of childish brightness. Seven little girls gave a charming little exercise about the "days of the week." June sunshine couldn't be brighter or more welcome in December.

4. Sad recitation by a boy with a toothache. He leaned sideways and turned perfectly rigid when he faced the audience. After a moment of embarrassing silence he unhooked his jaw and let her see. He slipped an eccentric on the first line, however, and worked only one side after that, saying his piece out of the northeast corner of his mouth till he came breathlessly to the end and ducked himself off the stage. His performance threw the congregation into a state of bewilderment, from which it seemed difficult to extricate them. To complicate matters, a girl of about fifteen years came on without any warning, as the boy went off, and chanted, in melancholy recitative a harrowing narrative of "The Drunkard's Home."

5. The organist covered the girl's retreat with the "Dead March in Saul," and a dull, sickening shudder thrilled through the room.

6. A singing society of eight young people sang, "I Would Not Live Away." A nervous-looking brother sitting near me asked me in a low whisper for the loan of my razor "to kill rats." I refused somewhat sternly, because, as I told him, I don't carry a razor on my person, and, besides, I disapprove of suicide in places of entertainment and at gatherings of mirth and festivity.

7. A beautiful song, flute obligato, sung like a bird by a beautiful girl, entranced the congregation and dispelled the air of resignation which was settling down upon the house like a cloud.

8. A girl recited "Nobody's Child" so forcibly that it cast a gloom over the entire community.

9. A young man sang "Dublin Bay" in good dramatic style, and the way he strewed the fatal beach with ghastly corpses when the flowing tide came in would have chilled the heart of a veteran undertaker.

10. A young lady recited a poem in which an old man died sitting bolt upright in his chair, after which his faithful old colored servant doubled himself up in a heap at his master's feet and died hard. This was encored, and they both died again—a little harder this time.

11. A bright young lady, with a clear voice and excellent dramatic action, recited "The Burial of Moses." By this time the congregation had caught the spirit of the meeting, and the "Burial" was rapturously encored. The elocutionist returned and gave "The Maniac" in splendid style.

Horror! The rattle strikes his tooth Deep in my heart, so crushed and sad! Ayl! laugh, ye dental your task is done— You shall I'm mad!

This fairly made the sparkling light of "Merry Christmas" quiver with delight another encore followed. This was a description of a man lost at sea, clinging to a spar, and drowning as he sings "Rocks of Ages." The last gurgling, choking gasp of the man as he went down made a physician near me close his watch with a subdued snap and shake his head. I knew then there was no hope for the man. And there wasn't. He drowned and the Christmas revels were about over.

12. Santa Claus, in furs and bells, big cap and pipe came in. He had forgotten his piece, however, and after hysterically gasping, "Well, I'm here," was struck dumb, and remained speechless. From time to time, however, he juggled the bells, which pleased the children quite as well as his best speech could have done.

Perhaps the most cold-blooded deed of the evening, however, was perpetrated by the superintendent of the Sunday school, who got up to remark that as he had nothing to do with arranging the entertainment—I didn't blame him for clearing his own skirts—he could conscientiously say that the committee on "entertainment" had indeed given us a most enjoyable evening and deserved alike the thanks of all young and old, for the great pleasure they had given us.

Now, this is no fancy sketch. It is written from notes, taken on the spot. The Sunday school that arranged this "entertainment" will recognize some of the things I have told here. I only desire to show people how mistaken well-meaning people may be in their ideas of "entertainment." "Christmas" is a birthday, not a funeral, anniversary. And to entertain people we are to sing and recite not the things we like to sing and say, but the things which people enjoy listening. The object of entertainment is not to "show off" the entertainers—that is advertisement—but to entertain the audience.—Robert J. Burdette, in Brooklyn Eagle.

The Honest Old Toad.

O, a queer little chap is the honest old toad, A funny old fellow is he; Lying under the stone by the side of the road, 'Neath the shade of the old willow tree, He is dressed all in brown from his toes to his crown, Save his vest that is slivery white, He takes a long nap in the heat of the day, And walks in the cool, dewy night.

"Stoop, stoop!" says the frog, From his home in the bog, But the toad he says never a word; He tries to be good, like the children who should be seen, but never be heard.

When winter draws near, Mr. Toad goes to bed, And he sleeps as sound as a top, But when May blossoms follow soft April showers He comes out with a skip, jump and hop; He changes his dress only once, I confess— Every spring, and his old worn-out coat, With trousers and waist-coat, he rolls in a ball And stuffs the whole thing down his throat.

"Ker-krak!" says the frog, From his home in the bog, But the toad he says never a word; He tries to be good, like the children who should be seen, but never be heard.

—The Presbyterian.

SAVED BY KINDNESS.

We will call him Jim, for I do not remember his name. He had lost all respectability, and was a common gutter druggard. His family had disowned him, and would not recognize him when they met him. Occasionally he would get a job at the stables where Dr. Davis kept his horse. One morning the Dr. laid his hand on Jim's shoulder and said:

"Jim, I wish you would give up the drink."

There was something very like a quiver of the man's lips as he answered:

"If I thought you cared I would; but there is a great gulf between you and me."

"Have I made a gulf, Jim? Think a moment before you answer."

"No, you haven't."

"If you had been a millionaire, could I have treated you more like a gentleman?"

"No, you couldn't."

"Do care, Jim."

"Do care, Jim," with a tender little emphasis on the "Jim."

"Dr. Davis, I'll never touch another drop of liquor as long as I live. Here's my hand on it."

This was fifteen years ago; and "Jim" is to-day the respectable and respected Mr. Saved by a kind word! Will you make an effort this week to win some one by kindness?—Christian Advocate.

NOT EXTRAORDINARY.

The following story is told of a Scotch subaltern at Gibraltar. He was one day on guard with another officer who, unfortunately, fell down a precipice four hundred feet, and was killed. Non-military readers should understand that in the guard reports there is a small addendum—viz.: N. B.—"Nothing extraordinary since guard mounting." The meaning of which is that, in case anything particular should occur, the officer commanding the guard is bound to mention it. Our friend, however, said nothing about the accident that had occurred to his brother officer, and some hours after, the Brigade-Major came to his quarters on the part of the officer commanding, with the report in his hand to demand an explanation. The Brigade-Major, addressing him, said: "You say, sir, in your report, 'N. B.'—Nothing extraordinary since mounting, when your brother officer, on duty with you, has fallen down a precipice and been killed?" "Well, sir," replied he, "I don't think there's anything extraordinary in it; if he'd faun down a precipice four hundred feet and not been killed, I should have thought it very extraordinary indeed, and wad ha' put it doon in ma report."

MOTHERS AND DAUGHTERS.

Watch the girls you see on the streets, on the trains, in places of public gathering—girls who are brimming with misdirected mirth. Their behavior is often improper, not from volition, but from the absence of a wise counselor to guide their actions, to direct their mirth-loving souls into proper channels. Tell me, do you think that they would dare to lay their heads on mother's lap and tell the day's happiness—who they met, with whom they were talking, the gist of the conversation, the jokes that were passed?

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MR. McSWAT MADE NO REPLY.—Mr. McSwat picked up a doughnut that lay on his plate, examined it critically, made a mental estimate of its weight, and laid it down.

"Lobelia," he said, "did you make this?" "Did, Billiger," replied Mrs. McSwat, proudly. "I'll have a whole plateful of them on the table in a moment."

Mr. McSwat made no reply. He was thinking of the \$10.00 for which he had insured his life the day before, and as he looked at that doughnut and then at his unsuspicious and innocent young wife a look of cold, hard suspicion settled on his face.—Chicago Tribune.

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Where the white owl sits and blinks;
Or in deep, sequestered dells,
Where the foxglove hangs its bells,
Echo dwells.
Echo!

Phantom of the crystal Air,
Daughter of sweet Mystery!
Here is one has need of thee;
Lead him to thy secret lair,
Myrtle brings he for thy hair—
Hear his prayer,
Echo!

Echo, lift thy drowsy head,
And repeat its charmed word
Thou must needs have overheard
Yesterday, ere, rosy-red,
Daphne down the valley sped—
Words unsaid,
Echo!

Breathe the vows she since denies!
She hath broken every vow!
What she would she would not now—
Thou didst hear her perjuries.
Whisper, whilst I shut my eyes,
Those sweet lies,
Echo!

—Thomas Bailey Aldrich, in The Atlantic Monthly.

WHAT CAME OF A VALENTINE.

On the evening of the 13th of February, 1850, two young men sat in a comfortably furnished room in a large New York boarding-house. A bright fire glowed in the grate, well-chosen engravings adorned the walls, and a bright light was diffused about the room from an Argand burner.

Let me introduce the occupants of the apartment as Tom Stacy and John Wilbur, young men of twenty-five or thereabouts, who were known in business circles as Stacy & Wilbur, retail dry goods dealers, No. Broadway. They had not been in business long, but were already doing unusually well. They had taken apartments together, one of which is now presented to the reader.

"Has it occurred to you, Wilbur," asked his partner, removing his cigar and knocking away the ashes, "that to-morrow is St. Valentine's day?"

"Yes, I thought of it this afternoon, as I was walking up from the store."

"So did I, and to some purpose, too, as I will show you."

Tom Stacy went to a drawer and drew out a gorgeous valentine, an elaborate combination of hearts, doves, etc.

"What do you think I gave for that?" he asked.

"I don't know, I'm sure. It appears to be very elegant."

"It cost me ten dollars."

"Whew!" whistled Wilbur. "It strikes me you are either very extravagant or very devoted. May I know what fair damsel is to be made glad by the receipt of this elegant missive?"

"That's my secret," said Tom, laughing. "I don't mind telling you, however. It is to go to Edith Castleton."

"I presume you feel particularly interested in the young lady?"

"Not at all. But I told her I would send her a valentine, *et la voilà!* Shan't you conform to the custom of the day?"

"I had not thought of it," said John, thoughtfully, "but I believe I will."

"And what fair lady will you select as the recipient?"

"You remember the poor seamstress who occupies an attic in the house?"

"Yes, I have met her on the stairs two or three times."

"She looks as if times were hard with her. I think I'll send her a valentine."

"And what good do you think it will do her?" asked Stacy, in surprise.

"Wait till you see the kind of valentine I will send."

Wilbur went to his desk, and taking out a sheet of newspaper, drew from his portemouale a ten-dollar bill, wrapped it in the paper, on which he had previously written, "From St. Valentine," and placed the whole in an envelope.

"There," said he, "my valentine has cost as much as yours, and I venture to say it will be as welcome."

"You are right. I wish now I had not bought this costly trifle. However, as it is purchased, I will send it."

The next day dawned clear and frosty. It was lively enough for those who sat by comfortable fires and dined at luxurious tables, but for the poor who shared none of these advantages it was indeed a bitter day.

In an attic room, meekly furnished, sat a young girl, pale and thin. She was covering over a scanty wood fire, the best she could afford, which heated the room very insufficiently. She was sewing steadily, shivering from time to time as the cold blast shook the windows and found its way through crevices.

Poor child! Life had a very black aspect for her on that winter day. She was alone in the world. There was absolutely no one on whom she could call for assistance, though she needed it sorely enough. The thought came to her more than once in her discomfort, "Is it worth while living any longer?" But she recoiled from the sin of suicide. She might starve to death, but she would not take the life which God had given her.

Plunged in gloomy thought, she continued her work. All at once a step was heard ascending the narrow staircase which led to her room. Then there was a knock at the door. She arose in some surprise and opened it, thinking it must be the landlady or one of the servants.

She was right. It was a servant.

"Here's a letter for you that the postboy just brought, Miss Morris."

"A letter for me!" repeated Helen Morris, in surprise, taking it from the servant's hand.

"Who can have written to me?"

"Maybe it's a valentine, miss," said the

girl laughing. "You know this is Valentine's day. More by token, I've got two myself this morning. One's a karaker, (caricature), so mistress calls it. Just look at it."

Bridget displayed a highly embellished pictorial representation of a female hard at work at the wash-tub, the cast of beauty being decidedly Hibernian.

Helen Morris laughed absently, but did not open her letter while Bridget remained—a little to the disappointment of that curious damsel.

Helen slowly opened the envelope. A banknote for ten dollars dropped from it to the floor.

She eagerly read the few words on the paper—"From St. Valentine."

"Heaven be praised!" she said, folding her hands gratefully. "This sum will enable me to carry out the plan which I had in view."

Eight years passed away. Eight years with their lights and shadows, their joys and sorrows. They brought with them the merry voices of children—they brought with them new-made graves—happiness to some and grief to others.

Toward the last they brought the great commercial crisis of '57, when houses that seemed built upon a rock tottered all at once to their fall. Do not many remember that time all too well when merchants, with anxious faces, ran frantically from one to another to solicit help, and met only averted faces and distrustful looks?

And how was it in that time of universal famine with our friends—Stacy & Wilbur?

Up to 1857 they had been doing an excellent business. They had gradually enlarged the sphere of their operations and were rapidly growing rich, when this crash came.

They immediately took to sail. Both were prudent, and both felt that this was the time when this quality was urgently needed.

By great efforts they had succeeded in keeping up till the 14th of February, 1858. On that morning a note of two thousand dollars came due. This was their last peril. That surmounted they would be able to go on in assured confidence.

But, alas! this was the rock of which they had the most apprehension. They had taxed their resources to the utmost. They had called upon their friends, but their friends were employed in taking care of themselves, and the selfish policy was the one required then.

"Lookout for number one!" superseded the golden rule for the time being.

As I have said, two thousand dollars were due on the 1st of February.

"How much have you got toward it?" asked Wilbur, as Stacy came in at half-past eleven.

"Three hundred and seventy-five dollars," was the dispirited reply.

"Was that all you could raise?" inquired his partner, turning pale.

"All."

"Are you sure you thought of everybody?"

"I have been everywhere. I'm fagged to death," was the weary reply of Stacy, as he sank exhausted into a chair.

"Then the crash must come," said Wilbur, with gloomy resignation.

"I suppose it must."

There was a silence. Neither felt inclined to say anything. For six months they had been struggling with the tide. The could see shore, but in sight of it they must go down.

At this moment a note was brought in by a boy. There was no postmark. Evidently he was a special messenger.

It was opened at once by Mr. Wilbur, to whom it was directed. It contained these few words only:

"If Mr. John Wilbur will call immediately at No. — Fifth avenue, he will learn something of his great advantage."

There was no signature.

John Wilbur read it with surprise, and passed it to his partner. "What does it mean do you think?"

"I don't know," was the reply, "but I advise you to go at once."

"It seems to be in a feminine handwriting," said Wilbur, thoughtfully.

"Yes. Don't you know any lady on Fifth avenue?"

"None."

"Well, it is worth noticing. We have met with so little to our advantage lately that it will be a refreshing variety."

In five minutes John Wilbur jumped into a horsecar, and was on his way to No. — Fifth avenue.

He walked up to the door of a magnificent brown stone house, and rang the bell. He was instantly admitted and shown into the drawing room, superbly furnished.

He did not have to wait long. An elegantly dressed lady, scarcely thirty, entered, and bowing, said, "You do not remember me, Mr. Wilbur?"

"No, madam," said he, in perplexity.

"We will waive that, then, and proceed to business. How has your house borne the crisis, in which so many of our large firms have gone down?"

John Wilbur smiled bitterly.

"We have struggled successfully till today," he answered. "But the end has come. Unless we can raise a certain sum of money by two, we are ruined."

"What sum will save you?" was the lady's question.

"The note due is two thousand dollars. Toward this we have but three hundred and seventy-five."

"Excuse me a moment," said his hostess. She left the room, but quickly returned.

"There," said she, handing a small strip of paper to John Wilbur, "is my cheque for two thousand dollars. You can repay it at your convenience. If you should require more, come to me again."

"Madam, you have saved us," exclaimed Wilbur, springing to his feet in delight.

"What could have inspired in you such a benevolent interest in our prosperity?"

"Do you remember, Mr. Wilbur," said the lady, "a certain valentine, containing a

ten-dollar note, which you sent to a young girl occupying an attic room in your lodging house eight years since?"

"I do distinctly. I have often wondered what became of the young girl. I think her name was Helen Morris."

"She stands before you," was the quiet response.

"You, Helen Morris!" exclaimed Wilbur, starting back in amazement. "You, surrounded with luxury?"

"No wonder you are surprised. Life has strange contrasts. The money which you sent me seemed to come from God. I was on the brink of despair. With it I put my wardrobe in repair, and made application for the post of companion to a wealthy lady. I fortunately obtained it. I had been with her but two years when a gentleman in her circle, immensely wealthy, offered me his hand in marriage. I esteemed him. He was satisfied with that. I married him. A year since he died, leaving me this house and an immense fortune. I had never forgotten you, having accidentally learned that my timely succor came from you. I resolved, if ever fortune put it in my power, I would befriend you as you befriended me. The time has come. I have paid the first installment of my debt. Helen Eustace remembers the obligations of Helen Morris."

John Wilbur advanced, and respectfully took her hand. "You have nobly repaid me," he said. "Will you also award me the privilege of occasionally calling upon you?"

"I shall be most happy," said Mrs. Eustace, cordially.

John took a hurried leave, and returned to his store as the clock struck one. He showed his delighted partner the cheque which he had just received. "I haven't time to explain," he said, "this must at once be cashed." Two o'clock came and the firm were saved—saved from their last peril. Henceforth they met with nothing but prosperous gales.

What more?

Helen Eustace has again changed her name. She is now Helen Wilbur, and her husband now lives at No. — Fifth avenue. And all this came of a valentine.

WORMS THAT EAT STEEL RAILS.

For the past two years the German government has been making inquiries into the life, history, and ravages of one of the most remarkable worms known to exist

larger, till they get to be like Boston and set about swallowing their neighbors. But the generation is likely to see more divisions than unions.

Consequences which were predicted when the Order of the Iron Hall was admitted to do business in the state are plainly in sight now, and the prospect is that the soundness, or unsoundness, of these late endowment schemes will be ventilated before the Legislature so that the people will not suffer for lack of warning if they find themselves in the hands of men who are swindling them out of their money and giving nothing in return. The growing belief that assessment compacts on the original plan cannot long survive also finds expression in the orders which have been introduced looking to the accumulation of a reserve fund by such companies. There are a few companies of this sort in the state now which are strong and which promise to stand indefinitely, but many weak ones, and some which were not only weak, but fraudulent, have been weeded out and the survivors will soon be small compared with the departed.

The insurance committee has just heard, and Commissioner Merrill has approved a matter which is technically classed with the fraternal assessment associations, but is radically different. It is the teachers' benefit association of Boston, and it may give a hint to the teachers of other large cities, or perhaps of an entire country where there is not so large a population as in Boston. It has been in existence six months. It proposes to pay an annuity to every woman teacher who has served in Boston 35 consecutive years, and for every man teacher who has served for 40 consecutive years and is forced to retire. Besides retirement from age, the association proposes to pension those who are forced to retire from illness, after they have been members for at least two years. There is an admission fee of \$2, an assessment of 1 per cent on all salaries below \$1000 and of one-half of one per cent on all salaries above \$1000, save that no annual contribution is to be more than \$20. The money is to be paid out in annuities, divided among claimants according to the amount available, but no annuity of more than \$600 is to be paid. The association desires to hold a permanent fund of \$500,000, and the Legislature is likely to accommodate it. The scheme is in the hands of men of the highest character, and already about one-third of the Boston school teachers have joined.

Estimates for county taxes for the coming year are as follows: Barnstable, \$15,000; Berkshire, \$75,000; Bristol, \$180,000; Dukes, \$7800; Essex, \$205,000; Franklin, \$33,000; Hampshire, \$98,000; Hampden, \$45,000; Middlesex, \$274,000; Norfolk, \$85,000; Plymouth, \$65,000; Worcester, \$125,000.

After all that has been said to show that Boston is a rum city, our country friends will be interested to know that so strong a temperance man as Mr. L. Edwin Dudley, secretary of the Law and Order League, has been before the committee on liquor law this week and said that the enforcement of the liquor law has never been so good as now since the local option law was enacted. He admitted that there has been an increase in the arrests for drunkenness, but thought they were due to better enforcement of the law and to the establishment of the system of patrol wagons. He believed that Boston has the best administration of the liquor law of any city in the country. This effect of the patrol wagons has been noticed before. Where formerly policemen would send a man home if he was not too intoxicated to walk, now they will call a wagon and have him taken to the lockup. This increases the number of arrests, but it does not increase the drunkenness.

It is reported at the state house that there is a great interest on the part of the farmers over the oleo question, and that they are likely to be shaken in their party allegiance if the Republicans, who are in a large majority in the Senate and House, do not enact the law they desire. It is said that they were responsible for the slender margin by which Gov. Brackett was elected, and that they are easy to take offense in the future.

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A beautiful young lady became so sadly disfigured with pimples and blotches that it was feared she would die of grief. A friend recommended Ayer's Sarsaparilla, which she took, and was completely cured. She is now one of the fairest of the fair.

Nobody Knows
What I have suffered for years with those terrible itching skin diseases. Life was only a torment to me; if you are so troubled, I would advise you to use Sulphur Bitters, for they cured me.—CLARA PELLE.

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BY LICENSE OF THE PROBATE COURT for the County of Hampden, the undersigned, administrator of the estate of Henry J. Squires, late of Monson in said county, deceased, will sell at public auction in front of the house on the premises, on Monday, the 10th day of March next at two o'clock in the afternoon, the farm situated in the westerly part of said Monson belonging to the estate of said Henry J. Squires, and being the same on which he resided at the time of his decease. WILLIAM W. LEACH, Administrator. Palmer, Mass., Feb. 12, 1890. 4-46

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. PROBATE COURT. To the heirs-at-law, next of kin and all other persons interested in the estate of Fanny Hitchcock, late of Brimfield in said county, deceased, Greeting: Whereas, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased, has been presented to said court for probate, by Edward W. Hitchcock and Henry F. Brown, both of said Brimfield, who pray that letters testamentary may be issued to them, the executors therein named. You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Springfield, in said county of Hampden, on the first Wednesday of March next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, against the same; and said petitioners are hereby directed to give public notice thereof by publishing this citation once a week for three successive weeks, in the newspaper called the PALMER JOURNAL, published at Palmer, the last publication to be two days at least before said court, and to mail a copy of such notice to each of said next-of-kin who may reside out of this county, fourteen days, at least, before said court. Witness, William S. Shurtleff, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this 5th day of February, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety. 3-46 SAMUEL B. SPOONER, Register.

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—Judge.

Never kick a man when he's down. It's a waste of energy. Go for the man who is climbing above you.—Philadelphia Inquirer.

Still ahead.—He—"I've got a brother a perlickman." She—"Dat's nuthin. I've got'r brother a nangel."—Life.

Guard—"Sir, if you want to smoke in this carriage, you must either go out or throw away your cigar."—Flegende Blatter.

An accomplished musician. Mrs. A.—"Do you play the organ, Mr. Smith?" Smith—"Yes, if the handle is not broken."—Epoch.

There's one peculiar thing about a horse race. You can pick the winners right along until you conclude to put up your money.—Washington Capital.

"What was the most melancholy spectacle you ever witnessed?" asked Fangle. "A man with long side-whiskers in swimming," replied Cumso.—Time.

Wickwire—"Why, Yabsley, your face looks perfectly awful. Who shaves you?" Yabsley—"A blankety-blank idiot named Yabsley."—Terra Haute Express.

Professor of Journalism—"Mr. Smith, how would you answer an unanswerable argument in an opposition paper?" Student—"Call it a 'yawn.'"—Cornell Sun.

The longest word in the German language is "Mettamiddomethathymethenylidiamidophenylcarbinol." It is what Bismarck replies when asked: "Is it hot enough for you?"—Stray.

The spirit of Munchausen.—(Extract from a young lady's letter from Venice.) "Last night I lay in a gondola on the Grand Canal drinking it all in, and life never seemed so full before."—Harper's Monthly.

Friend (to veteran editor)—"Have you ever written a line that you would wish to wipe out?" Veteran (sadly)—"Yes, once." "When was that?" "When I endorsed a friend's note and had to pay it."—Texas Sittings.

Stranger (poking his head in)—"Say, where is Capias' office?" Lawyer (rudely)—"How do I know! Do you take this for an intelligence office?" Stranger (slowly)—"By the samples shown, I should say not, mister."—Lovel Citizen.

"Hello, Billy," said a traveling man, as he hailed a friend, "you've changed your residence." "Yes." "Where are you living now?" "I'm not living anywhere. I am dying by degrees at Mrs. Haschem's boarding-house."—Merchant Traveller.

Wife—"John, love, I read one of your sweet love letters to-day, and came across a passage in which you said 'there is no one your equal in this wide, wide world.'" (Husband with a groan)—"And I am still of the same opinion."—Kearney Enterprise.

Blotson—"Popinjay, did you ever attend a colored religious meeting?" Popinjay—"Yes—just once." "Lots of enthusiasm and wild energy, wasn't there?" "You bet! Somebody threw a watermelon through the window."—Burlington Free Press.

"No use talkin' to me 'bout layin' up money for a rainy day," said Uncle Eho, addressing an attentive group; "no use talkin' dat way to a man wid sich luck as I always hab. Why, great seet! If I was to lay up money for a rainy day, we'd hab a drought for 40 'ears. No, sah; you don't ketch dis nigger in dat sort o' trap."—Puck.

Citizen (to lawyer)—"I want your advice in a suit I am about—" Lawyer—"Excuse me, but a fee of twenty dollars will be necessary before discussing legal matters." Citizen—"Certainly; there you are. My suit is against Smith. He agreed to—" Lawyer (pocketing the money)—"I am sorry, sir, but you are a little too late. I have been retained by Smith."—Harper's Bazar.

Served Him Right. Miss Chestnut—"Have you and Clarence set the day?" Miss Walnut—"Mr. Callowhill and I are strangers." Miss C—"Why—" Miss W—"We were on the train. We went through a tunnel. Of course, I was frightened and elung to Mr. Callowhill's arm, and—" Miss C—"Clarence didn't presume?" Miss W—"No, Clarence didn't presume." Miss C—"The mean thing! I don't blame you, dear."—Philadelphia Inquirer.

Mrs. F. said nothing at first, but when Fussle came within an ace of sprawling on the chamber floor she could not refrain from saying: "William, you've got a pretty good load on to-night." "No such thing, m'dear," replied Fussle, "I only tripped on that confounded mat." "William," responded Mrs. F., "that won't do; there's no mat there." "Well, then," said Fussle, "I'll have one there first thing to-morrow morning."—Boston Transcript.

Society seems to be preparing to form on. The other day we overheard a table conversation substantially like this: "What, dear, you haven't heard about it?" "No, dearie, not a word." "Why, you see, Mrs. X (a prominent lady) tried to get Mrs. Z's (another prominent lady) cook away from her and actually went to Mrs. Z's house when Mrs. Z was away and offered the cook more money." "My, my! What did Mrs. Z do about it?" "Well, the next time they met at a state dinner Mrs. Z didn't notice her. Somebody who sat between them said: 'Mrs. Z, you know Mrs. X, do you not?' 'N-n-o,' said Mrs. Z, 'I believe not. She sometimes calls on my cook, I understand, but I believe we do not exchange those courtesies. Walter, another of the breadsticks, please.'"—Washington Post.

WHY WILL THEY?

Why will people continue to do the things that are to their disadvantage? This is a problem that has puzzled us for a long time.

Why will a man with a mouth like the entrance to Mammoth cave persistently shave his face smooth, when by allowing his beard to grow he might conceal the opening he so unhesitatingly offers to the world?

Why will a short woman always wear plaids, which make her look even shorter and more dumpy? And why do tall women take naturally to stripes?

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Short, fat women wear fur-lined circulars almost to an individual; and tall, lean women affect short walking jackets and look like liberty poles with nightgowns on.

Long-necked women invariably "do" their hair in a French twist, so as to let all creation observe the fact that their necks are long; and short-necked women stick to frogs on the napes of their necks, and from behind present the appearance of their heads resting on their shoulders.

Small, short men appear in tall hats, under the impression that the tile adds to their height, when in reality it gives them the appearance of a hat walking off with a man. One sees a great deal more hat, proportionately, than he sees man.

Why will women go shopping after samples that they never will buy anything like, and know that they shall not?

Why will people run down every religion but their own? They know they never make any converts by so doing.

Why can two of a trade never agree?

Why does a young man when he is going a-courting act as if he were doing something he was ashamed of?

Why do old people so hate to see young people enjoy themselves?

What makes everybody like to hear of bad luck coming to somebody else?

There are good souls in the world who will say that they do not enjoy anything of the kind, and perhaps they think so; but just let a scandal arise affecting the minister of "the other church" and see how active those very same good souls will be to find out every minute particular.

Why do boys like to break glass and stone cats, and tie tinippers to dogs' tails?

Why do men like to see a horse run away?

Why does everybody in a crowded railway car watch the woman who has a crying baby? Has she not enough to contend with without feeling conscious that every man, woman and old maid, who knows about as much concerning a baby as an elephant about about frying doughnuts, is looking at her, and wondering why she doesn't do this and that?

Why do dyspeptics keep on eating baked beans?

Why do fat people who agonize over adipose tissue keep on eating candy and using sugar?

Why does a person with "poor calculation" hover over a hot stove and make the circulation aforesaid still poorer?

Why do men marry women unloved for them and bewail their fate forever afterward?

Why does a girl unite herself for life to a man who she knows drinks, and then spend her life-time in groaning over her lamentable misfortune?

Why do they do it?

We have asked the questions, but we are no nearer answering them than we were at the beginning.—Kate Thorn in New York Weekly.

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When Mary Ann Dollinger got the skule daovu thar on Injun Bay I was glad, for I like ter see a gal makin' her honest way. I heard some talk in the village about her flyin' high, Tew high by busy farmer folks with chores ter dew ter fly; But I paid no sorter attention ter all the talk ouell. She come in her reg'lar boardin' round ter visit with us a spell. My Jake an' her had been coules ever since they could walk. An' it tuk me back ter hear her kerreeth' him in his talk. Jake ain't no hand at grammar, though he haist his best for work; But I sez ter myself, "Look out, my gal, yer a fooler with a Turk!" Jake bore it wonderful patient, an' said in a mournful way, He 'sassed me behindhand with the doin's at Injun Bay. I remember once he was askin' for some o' my Injun hums, An' she said he should allus say, "them air," stid o' "them is" the ones. Wal, Mary Ann kep' at him stiddy mornin' an' evenin' long. Tell he dassen open his mouth for fear o' talkin' wrong. One day I was pickin' currants down by the old quince tree, When I heard Jake's voice sayin', "Be ye willin' ter marry me?" An' Mary Ann kerreeth', "Air ye willin', yeou sh'd say." Our Jake he put his foot daovu in a plum, deecided way, "No wimmen-folks is a-goin' to be rearrangin' my feet!" Hereafter I says "craps," "them is," "I calk 'late," an' I 'olks don't like my talk they needn't hark ter what I say; But I ain't a-goin' to take no sass from folks from Injun Bay. I ask you free an' final, "Be ye goin' ter marry me?" An' Mary Ann sez, tremblin', "yet anxious-like," "I be."

A NON-RESISTANT.

Jabez Dickinson was the village merchant, keeping the village store, where he sold everything from silk ribbons to tallow candles and sugar candies. He was not a deacon, but he was always named and known as Deacon Jabez, because there never was known a man more firmly, boldly and consistently asserted and practiced the doctrines of the christian life. Universally loved and respected by the people, old and young, he had led a long life of peace and quiet, doing good and getting good. And during this life he had been an unwavering non-resistent. He was not much of a talker. He seldom preached. But in the store, where it was the custom of the men of the community to gather, especially on Saturday evenings, the nickname Deacon had been given him for years, and Jabez had traveled through the community. Seldom volunteering opinions, he was often appealed to for the decision of mooted questions. And if you do not know it, I can tell you that in the country store there are daily discussions of questions moral, philosophical, religious and practical, in which at least as much average good sound sense and logical power is developed as in any meeting of any of the modern scientific associations, British or American. Always, however, Deacon Jabez had laid down and adhered to his non-resistance principles, and this in the face of much provocation to think and act otherwise. Many indignities he had suffered from fellows of the baser sort, insults and personal wrongs, always taking them meekly and without resentment. In all the town there was not one supporter of his radical views, and he often wished he was free from that ally. For Miss Almira Smith was a cantankerous talker and fighter, doing with her tongue a perpetual war, offensive and defensive, while she proclaimed the sinfulness of physical offense or defense with any other muscles or members of the human body. For, after all, it is but a question of muscles, and the non-resistent who forbids blows with the fist is often a conscientious dealer of deadly blows with the voice. The deacon had received much and sore provocation from Silas Maxwell, the town bully, a fellow of powerful structure, who rejoiced in his ability to whip any man in the county. And he had fought many battles, not in sport, with invariable victory. My story would be too long were I to recite a talk on Saturday evening in the store when Silas nagged Jabez and insulted him again and again, assuming and boasting that he presumed on the deacon's non-resistance, which Silas said was nothing but cowardice. "If don't resist because he daresent resist," said the bully, walking across the store and helping himself to a cunk of tobacco, at the same moment opening a huge knife wherewith to cut off a month's Little Katie Wheeler was the deacon's grand-daughter, a lovely child, the joy of his life, sole descendant of his dead wife and daughter. Katie was a sad invalid, but she had a well mind, never ill, never sickly. All day long she was in and out of the store, always breezy and cheery, making perpetual springtime in the life of the lonesome man. Her little chair stood where in the evenings she sat fill her grandfather closed the door and she walked home with him. Everybody loved Katie—even Silas Maxwell, brute though he was. As Silas took the tobacco in his hand Katie sprang from her chair and snatched it away from him, saying, "Silas Maxwell, you shan't steal grandfather's tobacco any more." The child's impulsive act and clear ringing voice were greeted with a shout from the fifteen or twenty villagers in the store. The act, the word "steal," the approving shout roused the fiend in Silas, and, seizing Katie by the arm, he uttered a brutal oath as he raised his right hand with the open knife to strike. Jabez had kept his eyes on the man, and up to this instant had been struggling to keep down what he believed to be a sinful desire to silence the other's insolence with

earthly weapons. Now, as he saw the knife raised he was a converted man. Well was it for Katie that her grandfather in the long-forgotten days of his sinful youth had been mighty in battles, power residing in the muscles of the arms and shoulders for which he had been famous when Silas Maxwell was a child. The deacon's legs were like steel springs, and without waiting for his mind to direct them, they of their own free will launched him like a rock from a catapult across the narrow store. The shoulder and arm acted next, for the deacon always declared that it was the physical body God had given him, which acted for itself when the closed fist dealt on the bridge of Silas Maxwell's nose an awful blow. The bully reeled backward one, two, three short steps and fell, full length, over a keg of nails. Jabez stood silent while Silas gathered himself up. He knew what was coming, and now he reasoned within himself, swiftly but sufficiently. And when the fellow fellow rushed at him intent on crushing him, the old skill (he said) learned in Satan's service, now came to him in the Lord's service in defense of himself and the child, and in the just punishment of that ruffian. Silas Maxwell had for the first time met his master. Those trip-hammer blows of Jabez Dickinson's tremendous fist live in the village traditions. There were but three, or at the most, four of them, with the right arm first, with the left arm second, the other arm stopping the puny thrusts of the bully. And so it came about that Jabez drove Silas across the store till he stood with his back to the window, open to the floor. When he had him there he dealt one more and final blow, right between the big man's eyes, a blow, backed up with a continuous thrust from all the weight of his body, which threw the ruffian off his feet, heels overhead through the window. The mill-race ran close under this window. The deacon knew it, and had been coolly thinking of it all the forty seconds or less between the first rush of Silas and his final exit. "Go out, some on ye, and take him out. I think he's got enough of it," said Jabez, very calmly, as he sat down and took Katie on his knees and kissed her.

There was silence and awe in the store for a few moments. Then some one came in and said that Silas reckoned he had got enough, and had gone home. Silas was converted then and thenceforth. Not so the deacon. He was, like all non-resistent under like circumstances, in some danger of relapse into his old folly. I have not space to relate at length how his new sentiments became fixed. It came about in this way. Miss Smith made a descent on him the next day and pointed out on him the vials of her peculiarly unpleasant wrath for "going back on non-resistance." He listened in silence. Again and again, alone and in the presence of whatever people might be in the store, that irrepressible and intolerable female rated Jabez. And Jabez became hardened. At last he deliberately made up his mind that resistance to a male bully like Silas had been a religious duty, and, as a corollary, that resistance, being duly measured for the case, to a female bully like Almira Smith would be a virtue. So he prepared a trap. And one day when Almira was coming down the street, and Jabez knew that her entrance and assault on him were as certain as foreordination, he set the trap. "Jabez," said the sharp voice, as its owner entered the store, "Jabez Dickinson," it repeated, as she crossed the floor. "Look out, Almira," said the deacon, "stop just there or you'll spill something!" "What are you talkin' about, Deacon Jabez Dickinson?" said the keen piercing voice. "I've come in because I can't find in me to pass by without warnin' you—" At that moment there descended around Almira Smith a cloud of fine black pepper. It began gently, and she interrupted her tirade with a sneer. She tried to resume, but the more she tried the more she sneezed, and the clouds gathered thicker around her. Sneezing and dignity are incompatible. Continuous sneezing is incompatible with self-respect or self-admiration. Almira had no idea of charging her convulsive affliction to the deacon's new doctrine of resistance to vocal and other physical assaults. She abandoned the field. She sneezed along the road home. She sneezed all night. And Jabez chuckled and kept his secret, and lived, and is living now, a sensible man. "You see," he said in confidence, "I could stand Silas, and if he'd a come back I'd a stood him I was sorry. But Silas came in, and before I got a chance he told me he was sorry, and I kind o' concluded I had been doin' right. But the nat'l man couldn't stand Almira Smith."

Papers that insert announcements in big type, like small posting bills, or hideous blocks, which it is frequently difficult to know what they mean, carry with them their own condemnation. The proprietors are willing to insert anything at any price, if they can only save expense in production by filling up a given space in the sheet which they send forth as a newspaper. Look at the leading papers in London and the important towns of England. Do we find there that one advertiser is allowed to try to "kill" the other by having the ugliest contrivance to attract attention? Certainly not. All is neat and orderly and the advertisements are read.—*English Newspaper.*

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Spring Winds.

I heard the winds with unseen feet
Pass up the long and weary street;
They sang, "We come from hill and glen
To touch the brows of tolling men.
"That each may know and feel we bring
The first faint breathings of the spring.
"To sweeten lane, and street, and square,
And lighten all the dusty air.
"The hills from which we come the bright
In something of a righer light.
"The long, deep glens and woodlands lie
In softer shadows to the eye.
"The birds have caught a finer note
To thrub with joy each feathered throat.
"The streamlet echoes sweet and clear
The liquid pulsings of the year;
"And everywhere you look is seen
Life dawning in a tinge of green."
Thus sang the winds, as up the street
They passed with heard, but unseen, feet;
And, as they went, a cloud above
Sent downward tears of spring and love.
—*Good Words.*

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Alabama ranks fourth in cotton.
Arizona ranks second in silver.
California ranks first in barley, grape culture, sheep, gold, and quicksilver.
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Connecticut ranks first in clocks.
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Dakota is the finest wheat growing state.
Florida ranks third in sugar and molasses.
Georgia ranks second in rice and sweet potatoes.
Indiana ranks second in wheat.
Illinois ranks first in oats, meat packing, lumber traffic, malt, and distilled liquors, and miles of railway.
Iowa ranks first in average intelligence of population, first in production of corn, and first in number of swine.
Idaho ranks sixth in gold and silver.
Kansas ranks fifth in cattle, corn, and rye.
Kentucky ranks first in tobacco, and has a world-wide reputation for thoroughbred horses and cattle.
Louisiana ranks first in sugar and molasses.
Maine ranks first in ship building, slate and granite quarries, lumbering and fishing.
Maryland ranks fourth in coal.
Massachusetts ranks first in cotton, woolen and worsted goods and in cod and mackerel fisheries.
Michigan ranks first in copper, lumber and salt.
Minnesota ranks fourth in wheat and barley.
Mississippi ranks second in cotton.
Missouri ranks first in mules.
Montana ranks fifth in silver and gold.
New Mexico's grazing facilities can't be beat.
Nebraska has abundant crops of rye, buckwheat, barley, flax and hemp.
Nevada ranks second in gold.
New Hampshire ranks third in the manufacture of cotton goods.
New Jersey ranks first in fertilizing marl, zinc and silk goods.
New York ranks first in value of manufactures, soap, printing and publishing, hops, hay, potatoes, buckwheat, and milk cows.
North Carolina ranks first in tar and turpentine.
Ohio ranks first in agricultural implements and wool.
Oregon takes the palm in cattle raising.
Pennsylvania ranks first in rye, iron, steel, petroleum and coal.
Rhode Island, in proportion to its size, outranks all other states in value of manufactures.
South Carolina ranks first in phosphates.
Tennessee ranks second in peanuts.
Texas ranks first in cattle and cotton.
Utah ranks third in silver.
Vermont ranks fourth in copper.
Virginia ranks first in peanuts.
West Virginia ranks fifth in salt and coal.
Wisconsin ranks second in hops.—*Cincinnati Commercial-Gazette.*

TELEGRAPHY BY CANNON SOUND.

Guns have for some years been used with most satisfactory results for fog-signalling on the Swedish coast. Their signals have been heard as far as 12 nautical miles, which we believe is a greater distance than the signal from a green can be heard. A new gun has just been manufactured and stationed at Holmo Gadd, in Sweden. Commander Engstrom having furnished the drawings for this as well as the previous guns. The one in question is made of best wrought Sandviken Bessemer steel at the Stastoft Engineering Company. It is 10 feet long and the calibre is 60 millimetres. The breechloading mechanism is of Commander Engstrom's design and allows of firing from 20 to 30 shots per minute. It will thus be possible to fire letters according to the Morse alphabet, one shot being a dot and two shots close together a dash. Of this system of signaling more may be heard by and by. The breechloading mechanism can be taken out and to pieces in less than a minute and without the use of any tools, and also put together without any. The cartridges can be used from 100 to 300 times. The gun rests on a gun-carriage of wood and is placed in a small wooden shed, the barrel projecting through a hole in the wall. The shed or house is very conveniently arranged for the men with accommodation for refilling the cartridges, spare parts and ammunition for 10,000 shots, has cost only £275. The gun can probably stand some 40,000 shots so the cost for a shot, exclusive of the powder, will be only about 2d.—*Engineering.*

Bertie Brilliant (driving home from the club, after having taken rather more champagne than he ought)—"I say, how much pleasanter it is to ride in a cab and think how much pleasanter it is to ride in a cab than it is to walk, than it is to walk and think how much pleasanter it is to ride in a cab than it is to walk!"—*Life.*

AROUND THE HOUSE.

Clothes dry out much stiffer when powdered borax is put into the hot starch just before using.
The surest test of a frozen orange is its weight. If it is heavy in the hand it has not been frozen.
Cold sliced potatoes fry and taste better by sprinkling a teaspoonful of flour over them while frying.
If windows are wiped off once a week on the inside with a slightly dampened cloth it will save washing so often.
Just as soon as possible it is well to accustom your baby to eat from a spoon, or drink from a cup, instead of using the bottle.
Chemists say that it takes more than twice as much sugar to sweeten preserves, sauce, etc., if put in when they begin to cook as it does to sweeten after the fruit is cooked.
Tea-drinkers are warned against the careless habit of leaving any tea in the tea pot to be "warmed over," or to be taken cold at an hour much later than when it was made. The tannin which tea has been long standing contains, does a great deal of mischief.
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Paper pillows are very cool and much superior to feather pillows. The newspapers are printing appeals for them for hospitals. Newspaper is not nice to use, as there is a disagreeable odor from printer's inks; but brown and white paper, and letters and envelopes are the best. Tear the paper into very small pieces, not bigger than your finger-nail, and then put them into a pillow-sack of drilling or light ticking. The easiest way is to tear or cut the paper into strips about half an inch wide, and then tear or cut them again. The finer the pieces, the lighter the pillows.—*The Housewife.*

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The highest court of the United States, whose centennial commemoration is at hand, holds a unique place in our form of government and one not found in any other governmental system. It wields a power greater than is exercised by any other judicial tribunal in the world. In no country of Europe or the East has any court authority to make or unmake the supreme law of the land, to limit the prerogatives of the sovereign, to control the powers of the legislature, to shape the form of government.
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A HORSE'S MEMORY.—"Say, friend, you are on my horse," said one gentleman to another as he reined his horse before the door.

"Your horse! Oh, no; why, I bought this horse two years ago!"

"You did?" answered the other; "well, I lost my horse—it was stolen—just two years ago."

The conversation took place under the far-spreading oaks of an old-time plantation home. A planter was surprised to see his horse returned home after two years, and ridden by a gentleman who had evidently bought the horse in good faith. After some conversation the old owner of the horse, with much earnestness said: "Well, sir, if you will dismount, unsaddle the horse and he don't go to the fence, take the bars down, walk to the well, and if he don't find water in the bucket let it down the well, and then walk off to his old stable, I will give up and that horse isn't mine!" "At your word," cried the visitor, and leaping from the horse, unsaddled it. What was his astonishment when the horse went straight to the fence, let down the bars, crossed over, went to the well, and finding no water, let the bucket down, and then, as though he had left home but yesterday, walked to the old stable! The animal remembered the trick, and the owner recovered his horse. There are those living now who can attest to the truth of this story, though it happened years ago.—*St. Louis*

The Journal.

FRIDAY EVENING, FEBRUARY 21, 1890.

LOCAL NOTICES.

From laundry to bath room Brussels soap fills the bill. Money loaned on personal security. S. H. Hellyar. For bath, toilet or laundry use, a cake of Brussels soap does the business. Gent's Hand Sewed Boots and Shoes for sale at F. M. Engle's. This would be a vastly better world to live in if everybody used Brussels soap. Upright piano, square piano, cabinet organ, for rent. W. E. Stone, Palmer. Salt salmon, sword fish, herring, mackerel, blue fish, boat salt cod of finest quality at Hatch's. We sympathize with you, dear reader, for we had just the same bother with soap that you have, until we began using Brussels.

PALMER AND VICINITY.

Miss Mina Ball has been home from Smith College this week. Mrs. E. G. Gilmore of New York is the guest of Mrs. C. L. Gardner. Milton Holdsworth of Miller's Falls spent Sunday with his mother here.

Edward Lacey of Danvers has been visiting friends in town this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lyman of Warren spent Sunday with Conductor Camp.

Quite a number of the recently-published histories of the town have been sold.

Miss Mabel Sedgwick has been home from South Hadley a portion of this week.

Mason challenges Coles to run him a race on the Warren track of from 10 to 25 miles.

C. H. Breckenridge and wife of Fitchburg were guests of Judge Robinson over Sunday.

I. E. W. Clark and E. G. Murdock have been drawn as jurors for the March term of court.

Mrs. E. F. Pitkin of Boston spent Monday and Tuesday in town with her uncle, E. S. Brooks.

W. E. Breckenridge was home from Yale the first of the week to attend the Dewey-May wedding.

Rev. J. F. Albion, pastor-elect, will occupy the pulpit at St. Paul's Universalist church next Sunday.

Walter Chilson, who has been home from Worcester sick with the grippe, has recovered and returned to his work.

Foskit Brothers brought a carload of western horses to town Monday, some handsome animals being among the lot.

Patrick Flynn was assessed \$9.93 for drunkenness by the district court Monday, this being his second offense within a year.

Harry, son of J. M. Sisk, went to Boston Wednesday to have an operation performed on his arm, expecting to be gone about two weeks.

George Wood has had the ground staked out for a new house on State avenue, but has concluded to wait until spring before he builds.

J. W. Weeks's tally-ho coach took a party of Palmer people to Ware Monday evening to attend the presentation of the cantata "Esther."

The directors of the Eastern Hampden Agricultural society meet to-day to revise the premium list for the annual exhibition next September.

A large number from this place attended the bazaar at North Wilbraham last Friday evening, and the special car was crowded on the return trip.

The Father Mathew Temperance Society appointed M. J. Dillon, Hugh Hanley and Joseph Becker delegates to the convention at Springfield to-day.

To-morrow is the anniversary of the birthday of the Father of his country, and the banks will be closed, though the stores will keep open as usual.

Attachments aggregating about \$600 were placed on the stock of C. L. Saunders, harness dealer, yesterday, and the store is closed for the present.

W. F. Miller would like to meet all who took part in the cantata of "Ruth," a year ago, at the Congregational church next Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

The liquors seized at the residences of Edward Burns of Thorndike and T. J. Chalk of Palmer on the 2d inst. have been forfeited to the Commonwealth.

The members of the R. T. Club held a social Tuesday evening. Some choice selections of music were rendered by the president, and ice cream and cake were served.

H. A. Northrop has secured good 14-inch ice at Lake Sunapee, N. H., and unless cold weather should strike this place pretty soon he will cut 1000 tons there and ship to his house here.

Business at the wire mill is better at the present time than at any period since it has been under the present management. Orders are plenty, and the outlook for a long run is good.

The Adams express and the "owl," due here at 1 and 1.19 a. m., from Boston, did not get away until 7.30 Tuesday morning, owing to a derangement of freight cars at East Brookfield.

C. W. Johnson will move the small building on Church street, recently purchased of the savings bank, to the rear of his tenement house on Foster avenue and convert it into a barn.

Miss Tillie Lacouille, telegraph operator for the New London Northern road, has been visiting friends in Providence this week, and Miss Josie Palmer of South Windham, Ct., has filled her place in the office here.

G. W. Lyman has the contract to erect a tenement house for Edward McKelligott at Thorndike, and also for the erection of a summer cottage at South Lyme, Ct., for Walter Callender of Providence, R. I., to cost \$4600.

A complaint has been made against J. A. Palmer for cutting trees which stood on the highway on Baptist Hill. Mr. Palmer pleaded not guilty at the district court Wednesday, and the case is continued until next Monday.

At the adjourned meeting of the Congregational parish last evening the matter of lighting the church by electricity was left with the parish committee, and it is probable that a contract will be made to have the lights put in.

The North End Club of Springfield will pay its annual visit to the Weeks House this evening, 50 couples being expected. The party comes by special train, and after one of Landlord Weeks's famous suppers and a dance will return at midnight.

O. J. Stockwell, until recently superintendent of the Palmer Wire Mfg. Co.'s works, has secured a position as superintendent for the Spencer Wire Mfg. Co. at Spencer, and will take charge of their works April 1st. He will move his family to Spencer next month.

A number of the young lady and other friends of Joseph Becker made him a surprise visit at his home Monday evening, and presented him with a handsome easy chair. An adjournment was made to Dewey's Hall, where an orchestra furnished music for dancing until 3 a. m.

Commencing with next Monday the mail service between Palmer and Wales, Brimfield and Fiskdale will be doubled, and two mails a day each way will be carried. The new mail will leave Palmer for Fiskdale about 8.30 a. m., and returning will leave Fiskdale at 1.30 p. m., reaching Palmer about 4.30.

About 15 of the members of the Springfield council, Royal and Select Masters, have withdrawn from that body and will join the Wagon Council of Ware, which is to be moved to Palmer, though the change will not take place until next fall, when the new Masonic quarters are expected to be ready.

A horse and carriage belonging to a Silver Street man were found in the yard of S. Ellis on Park street early Sunday morning, the animal being nearly dead with the cold. It had been tied in the rear of the Cross block on Main street the night before, but had broken the tie-strap and walked away.

One farmer was positive, the first of the week, that snow would come soon. He had seen a large flock of snow-birds, and never knew the sign to fail. It didn't this time, for about four inches of snow came Wednesday night, and a sleigh slips along quite well in the village, though not very well on the outside roads.

The result of the bazaar conducted by the young ladies of North Wilbraham in aid of the proposed church for this branch of Father Hart's parish was most gratifying. The net proceeds for the three nights amounted to \$1190. The committee in charge extend their thanks to all who contributed to this marked success.

It is a shame the way some of the shade trees about the streets are mutilated by horses which are hitched to them. In some places they are killed by the gnawing of the animals, while in others there are great gashes in the sides, sometimes extending half way through. It is a pity that the shade trees are not better protected.

Landlord Weeks does not fancy the reputation given his hotel by some of the Springfield and Boston papers, they stating, in connection with the married men's social, that his dining room would seat only 30 couples. As a matter of fact the room will easily seat nearly double that number, and the Weeks House has entertained much larger parties.

About 35 teachers of Western Massachusetts met at Cooley's hotel in Springfield last Saturday and formed a Schoolmasters' Club. The organization will meet three times a year for social purposes, an adjourned meeting to be held March 8, when there will be a dinner, speeches, etc., H. B. Knox of this place being one of the committee of arrangements.

A horse belonging to the Thorndike Co. became frightened on Main street at the cars this morning and started to run. The driver was unable to hold him on account of heavy gloves on his hands, but reined him up Walnut street. In turning the corner the horse fell and the buggy was smashed. Paymaster Deming and the driver were thrown out, but were not hurt beyond a few bruises.

This weather makes the ice dealers happy, and if it will only hold on for a few days there will be plenty of the congealed fluid right here at home. A cold wave was announced yesterday afternoon, and it arrived in a healthy condition last night, the mercury dropping to only 5° above zero. This morning another was said to be coming, meaning a still further drop of 20° before to-morrow morning.

About 40 of the friends and neighbors of Dr. William Holbrook and wife made a surprise call on them last evening, it being the 40th anniversary of their wedding day. The Doctor was presented a handsome gold-headed cane, and Mrs. Holbrook a gold-headed umbrella, C. L. Gardner making the presentation speech, which was feelingly responded to. An elegant gold-mounted physicians' thermometer was also given him. A very pleasant evening was spent.

The case of T. J. Chalk, charged with the illegal keeping of liquor, was settled last Saturday. He wished to be out of town on Monday, the day set for the trial, and so wanted to know on what terms the prosecuting committee would compromise the case. It was finally settled by his pleading guilty to keeping liquor with intent to sell, and to keeping a liquor nuisance. On the first he paid a fine of \$50 and costs, and the costs in the second case, amounting to a total of \$64.86, judgment in the liquor nuisance being suspended.

Saturday was civil entry day at the district court, these cases being entered: George W. Morgan of Belchertown vs. H. A. Northrop of Palmer, action of trust, Lyman of Belchertown for plaintiff, Gardner for defendant; G. W. Burdick of Monson vs. M. J. Lynch of Chicopee, action of contract, Gardner for plaintiff; Warren G. Fay of East Brookfield vs. Zebulon E. Cary of Brimfield, action of contract, Gardner for plaintiff; C. D. Holbrook vs. A. D. Thompson of Palmer, et al and trustee, action of contract, Gardner for plaintiff.

Mrs. Eliza W. Breckenridge celebrated her 80th birthday last Saturday. A family

gathering was held at the residence of C. T. Brainerd, the children present being Mrs. George Robinson, W. A. Breckenridge and J. A. Breckenridge of Palmer, and C. H. Breckenridge of Fitchburg. There were also six grandchildren present, with other guests. A dinner was served, followed by a pleasant social time, the whole party taking supper at the house of George Robinson. Mrs. Breckenridge enjoys excellent health, and it is hoped will live to see many succeeding days of a like nature.

The married men's social at the Weeks House last Friday night was a most enjoyable affair, although owing to the storm only 17 couples were present. The first part of the evening was devoted to whist, followed by dancing to the music of Kenfield's orchestra, W. C. Mulvaney of Ware prompting. Supper was served at 10 o'clock, the menu being an unusually fine one, to which ample justice was done. After a pleasant hour at the tables dancing was resumed until the company broke up about one o'clock. All voted the occasion exceedingly pleasant, and as the result of a general request there will probably be one or two more socials before the season ends.

The young people of the Congregational church give a "hatchet party" in the vestry this evening, and invite everybody to attend. A pleasing programme has been prepared, and the characters will appear in appropriate costumes. Among other things there will be:

Ye pompos parade of alle ye menne and wim-men, keepen tyme to ye aplenet.
Ye Polyeptimus will maken molle aboute ye neetural fowle and ye domesticat cat.
Chas. Andrews will speak his piece aboute "Lute George."
Ye is maydens will ewinge ye immortalized hatchet.
Yankee Doodle will tell what he remembers of George in school.
Ye tableaux from ye pretty story of "Pricilla and John Allen."
Ye maydens will hum a worldie tune.
Ye consumption of ye hatchet net performed in masque-one scene onlie.
Mother Goose will tell how George fell in love.
Ye leane on ye lyde is ye Good Nighte tune, after which ye people will shake hands-and visit ye Gypsie Queen.

The fair of the Woman's Relief Corps will be held in G. A. R. Hall in Dewey's block next Tuesday, afternoon and evening, and the committee has worked hard to make the affair a success. The hall will be tastefully decorated for the occasion. A \$50 Copeland China dinner set, a Paris doll and a handsome sofa pillow will be awarded to successful guessers; a large tree of home-made oranges, each filled with some article, will be shot at, the successful marksman being entitled to the fruit which he hits; a large and attractive display of fancy goods is promised; a post office will also be one of the attractions, with a table for the sale of home-made candy. In addition, a supper will be served in the evening at 6 o'clock. The proceeds will go to the relief fund of the G. A. R. post, and the ladies hope for a generous patronage.

Four persons were baptized by the pastor at the Baptist church last Sunday morning and eight in the evening, the audience at the evening service filling every available seat in the auditorium. The second meeting in the evening was one of impressive power, from fifty to seventy-five persons testifying in rapid succession to their love for the Savior, while strong men knelt in prayer for pardon. Rev. O. D. Thomas, who has conducted the special services for nearly three weeks, with marked success and power, closed his labors here with this service, and left for Brockton Monday morning, with J. A. Birkholz, who had sung and labored so acceptably with him during the last week of his stay. Extra meetings were held in the church on Monday and Wednesday evenings, Rev. H. P. Smith of Westfield preaching on the last-named evening. It is expected that the ordinance of baptism will be administered again next Sunday, probably both morning and evening, and there will be some special meetings during the coming week.

A Palmer Man's Good Fortune.

C. H. Atkins of this place has perfected a device which will probably be worth a good round sum to him. It is a mechanism for removing iron and all particles of metal from paper pulp by means of a powerful magnet. One of the greatest troubles in the manufacture of fine papers is the presence of iron particles in the pulp. Some of these come from buttons, some from the cutting machinery, and bits of iron rust are formed from the water pipes which feed the machinery. With the chemicals used in the paper these particles are oxidized and form rust spots, which are ruinous to first-class paper. The Atkins electromagnetic extractor removes the finest particles of iron or other metal from the pulp, just before passing into the screen box. A corrugated iron plate is placed over the settling box as a base, and arranged so that the pulp will flow over it like a cascade. On two convex flutings of this plate are placed bars of soft iron bolted through the corrugated plate to a spool magnet beneath. The magnet is charged with electricity by a common dynamo. The apparatus has been tested for two years by the Agawam Paper Company at Mittenague, and has worked perfectly. Every particle of metal is drawn instantly to the magnetized bars as the pulp passes over them, and is held there. When the machine is shut down for washing, the current is turned off and the bars easily cleared of the bits of iron which cling to them, often forming a thick coat. Patents have been obtained in foreign countries, and a man is now on his way to put the device in a mill in England.

Dewey-May.

A pleasant wedding ceremony took place at 6 o'clock Tuesday evening on South Main street at the residence of the bride's father, when Emily O., youngest daughter of C. E. Dewey, was married to Henry B. May, manager of the May paper mills at Lee, the day also being the 32d anniversary of the wedding of the bride's parents. About 200 guests assembled to witness the ceremony, which was performed in the rear parlor, the room being tastefully decorated with greens, potted plants and flowers. Rev. J. L. R. Pratt of Springfield officiated, assisted by Rev. H. W. Pope of Palmer, and the wedding march was played by Miss Lena Brown of Palmer. The bride was dressed in white, faillie frangais, trimmed with duchesse lace, and tulle veil, and carried a bouquet of bride roses and lilies of the valley. Miss Annie Shaw of Palmer was maid of honor; she wore a dress of blue silk and carried carnation pins. The best man was Charles May of New York, a cousin of the groom,

and the ushers were Charles Bassett of New York, J. W. Weeks, Henry Loomis, George Holden and James Dewey of Palmer, and Edward Lacey of Danvers. The presents were many and valuable, including a large amount of solid silver. Dooling of Boston catered. The bridal couple left at 8.36 for Boston, and after a short wedding tour will reside at Lee. The company was especially noticeable for the many handsome costumes worn by the ladies, and among the out of town guests were S. S. May and wife, Wolcott Hamlin, of New York, S. M. Hunt and Miss Hunt, Mrs. Theodore Haynes, Stanford Haynes, Mrs. Ripley, Miss E. Dowsett, Mr. and Mrs. P. K. Kellogg, Miss Kellogg, Miss M. Henshaw, Mrs. Dr. Trask and Fred Trask, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Lincoln and Mrs. Jane Seymour of Springfield, Miss Kate Sanderson of Holyoke, George C. Flynt, Miss Mabel Flynt, S. F. Cushman, Jr., and wife, Miss Hattie Cushman, Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Flynt and Thaddeus Cushman of Monson, Miss Lucy Hyde, H. K. Hyde, Dr. and Mrs. Miner, Miss Miner, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Hyde of Ware, Mrs. Dr. Wright and Miss Shannon of Lee, Louis Blaine of Pittsfield, H. N. Marshall of Boston, Mrs. A. A. Brooks, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Whiting of Greenfield, Mr. Tuttle, Leonard Hills and Miss Mary Leland of Amherst, Miss Seymour of Ravens, O. Will Chaffee of Worcester, Charles E. Hull of Stockbridge. After the departure of the newly-married couple the young people adjourned to the Weeks House and spent a pleasant time in dancing. The hotel was built by the bride's grandfather over 40 years ago, and was the first in the town.

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Quabog Literary Society listened to a debate Monday evening on the question "Resolved, that country life is preferable to city life." The judges chosen decided in favor of the negative side of the argument; but the house by a rising vote failed to sustain the verdict of the judges.

At the Baptist church next Sunday morning the subject of the discourse will be "The Christian's Extolling Song." Psalm 68:4. In the evening at 7, "God's Antidote for Humanity's Great Struggle Against Sin," illustrated with chemicals, a sermon for grandparents, parents and children.

A Vat Exploded at the Mill.

One of the large vat or kiers used for boiling cotton exploded in the dye-house of the Palmer Mill about 4.30 Wednesday afternoon. The vat, an upright cylindrical tank about 7 by 9 feet, had been packed with about 3000 pounds of cotton, then filled with water and the steam

old age. The death rate for the past year is far below the mortality rate as based by insurance companies.

Death of an Old Resident.
Rice S. Munn died last Saturday morning at 1 o'clock of heart disease after nearly two weeks of painful suffering. He was born on King's Hill—so called in those days—in 1814, on the farm now owned by Edson Walker. He was of the fourth generation of Munn's in Mouson, they dating back as far as 1715, or soon after the first settler came to Mouson. He stayed on the farm until 1852 or 53, when he entered the employ of William B. Converse, merchant, in a general store at the stand now occupied by Rogers & Co. A few years later he built the block on the corner farther south, now owned by Mrs. Harriet E. Davis, where he went into business, his old books showing that it was Munn & Converse in 1856, Munn in 1859, and Munn & King (Whitney B.) in 1860. Soon after the death of Mr. King he went out of business, having been very successful. He served the town as selectman in the years of 1848, '50, '66, '71, '72 and '73; was appointed postmaster in 1874, when the office was then Flyn's store now is, he succeeding E. E. Towne. He held that office for several years, including one year where it is now situated, it being moved during his administration to Central Block, when it was completed in 1880. He was representative to the General Court in 1872, and it was by his efforts that the charter of the Monson Savings Bank was obtained, the institution being organized that year. None of these offices were sought by him. He has been a director of the Monson National Bank since 1871, and was vice president of the Monson Savings Bank from its organization in 1872 until 1884, when he was elected president, holding that office at the time of his death. He was one of the wealthy retired men of the town, his postmasterhip being the last of his active business life. It was through his influence that the old custom of having but one payday a year in the mills was changed. In 1840 he married Miss Susan Stimpson of Palmer, who died about 10 years ago. Besides one son, Lavater S., with whom he made his home at the time of his death, two sisters and one brother survive him—Mrs. J. L. Reynolds of Monson, Mrs. Adeline M. King of Springfield, and O. D. Munn, proprietor of the *Scientific American* at New York. Nearly five years ago he received a shock which was considerably upon him, and he grew rapidly old from that time. He seemed to be in his usual health up to the time of his last sickness, he being suddenly taken on Monday, Feb. 24, and suffered much up to the time of his death. The funeral was held at his home Monday at 2 o'clock, Rev. F. S. Hatch of the Congregational church officiating. The interment took place in the Center cemetery, where his wife is buried. As Mr. Munn was an officer in each, both the banks closed at 1.45 for the remainder of the day. Mr. Munn will be greatly missed, as he was almost daily seen on the street driving out with his faithful old horse. He always had a pleasant word for everybody, and was greatly liked by all. He was always very prompt in his engagements, "referring to be 15 to 30 minutes ahead of time than one minute late."

Personal.
Louis E. Brown of Brimfield was seen on our streets this week.

L. F. Thompson and daughter of Springfield spent last Sunday in town.

Mrs. E. H. Brown visited her sister, Mrs. C. H. Allen, of Sturbridge this week.

G. L. Jenks has been spending a day or two with Rev. C. W. Heizer of Manchester, N. H.

Mrs. C. A. Abbott attended the funeral of her friend, Mrs. Wrisley, at Glendale this week.

Mrs. D. B. Needham and daughter are visiting at Mrs. Needham's home in Washington, Mass.

Mrs. Dr. W. T. Browne of Jewett City, Conn., spent last Sunday with her mother, Mrs. J. M. Bell.

Miss Deane of Worcester, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Joseph Davis, has gone to Northfield to attend school.

Miss Mary Cantwell presided at the organ at the fair given by the members of St. Thomas's society at North Wilbraham last Friday night.

E. B. Converse, who has been confined to his house so long by sickness, is convalescent, and as soon as pleasant weather sets in hopes to ride out.

It has just dawned upon the minds of the Boston police commission that the city guards in open bars, which are prohibited by law, and have notified the Legislature that if the prohibition is not removed they will enforce the law next year. Why in the dickens don't they enforce it this year? It has been generally supposed that it was the duty of the police officers to enforce the law as it stands, instead of intimating with such ridiculously lofty impudence that they will do so some other time if the law is not modified. Unfortunately Boston is not the only place in the commonwealth where open bars are to be found. Go into any community where license prevails and they will find a sorry commentary on the way our laws are enforced. A radical change is needed in this matter, and if the law cannot be enforced as it stands it is high time it was known.

It is reported that the Louisiana Lottery Company, whose charter will expire two years hence, will offer to pay the entire debt of that state, amounting to \$10,000,000 or \$12,000,000, in return for a renewal of its charter, and it is feared that the Legislature will accept the bribe. The company can well afford to do this, for its income is believed to reach the enormous sum of \$25,000,000 yearly, of which less than a third is paid out in prizes. And yet from every part of the country the money continues to pour in, and will, as long as the lottery is countenanced by the state. The people may well pray that the Louisiana legislators may have backbone enough to rescue the state from this iniquity.

Victims of mad dog bites will not have to go to France hereafter for the Pasteur treatment, a Pasteur Institute having been opened in New York last week, the first of its kind this side of the water.

The total loss by the Lynn fire is now put at about \$1,500,000 above the insurance.

This is truly a remarkable winter for New England, and it is becoming an interesting conundrum where the ice is coming from for next summer's use. A month of steady cold weather might make a good crop hereabouts yet, but it must make a beginning soon. At present our streams are as free from ice as in midsummer, and there is only a thin coating on the ponds. In the northern part of the state there is a fair crop, and dealers are beginning to go there and further north for their supply, not daring to wait longer. Last night's cold wave has set the ice to forming again, and if it will continue for two or three weeks there will yet be a good crop in this region.

TEXAS is enjoying the honor of having the first woman president of a railroad in this country, Mrs. Charles D. Haines having been elected president of a new road now building in that state. She is described as about 30 years old, highly accomplished, and thoroughly conversant with the business.

TORONTO UNIVERSITY, at Toronto, Ont., was burned last Friday night, thanks to the brilliant performance of two men who were carrying lighted lamps up stairs on a tray, and when they slid toward one end the lower man let go, the lighted lamps breaking on the stairs. Loss \$500,000.

The Boston Herald is having two \$50,000 Hoe quadruple presses built, which will print and fold 96,000 eight-page papers per hour. The Herald is bound to keep at the head, mechanically and every other way.

THE House at Washington has adopted its new rules by a party vote, and filibustering will be at discount under them, so that business ought to proceed with neatness and dispatch.

It has cost a Hudson river steamboat company \$500 for refusing to give a steamer to a colored clergyman. Served 'em right, too.

VERMONT is having a high license agitation. Prohibition has prevailed in that state for nearly forty years.

The city treasury of Rochester, N. Y., is \$61,000 short, not stolen by the treasurer, but caused by the practice of allowing city employees overdrafts by checks and tax bills.

J. S. Harriman of Boston has entered into an agreement to walk from some city in Indiana to San Francisco and back, a distance of 3000 miles, in 65 days. He will start in April.

LEGISLATIVE MATTERS.
BOSTON, Feb. 19, 1890.

A lively and well-sustained debate occurred in the House Thursday on the question of asking the supreme court whether the poll tax is an abridgment of rights under the national constitution. The Democrats wished to get the opinion of the court, and their two members of the judiciary committee had dissented from the report of the majority of the committee that the question ought not to be asked. The Democrats tried to make it appear that the occasion was solemn within the meaning of the constitution, and that there was danger that the state might lose all but one of its members of the Lower House in Congress. Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, for the Republicans, read opinions of Justices Bradley and Waite of the United States supreme court that the 14th amendment conferred no right to vote, that it prevented disfranchisement for race, color or previous condition of servitude, but that any state might impose such age, property or educational qualifications as it saw fit. By 71 to 110 and eight pairs the House refused to ask the question. With six exceptions the voting was on straight party lines.

Poultry-raisers, of whom the state has thousands who make the business a specialty, are interested in a bill which the House acted upon favorably on Friday. As it came from the committee on agriculture, it raised the penalty for stealing fowls so that the minimum was a year's imprisonment or \$100 fine, one or both. Representative Paul of Dighton, who is the House chairman of the committee on agriculture, a fine elderly gentleman whose face is a certificate of integrity and thrift, told the House of the knavish tricks of thieves in his vicinity. It seems that they work in organized gangs, one to keep watch that they be not alarmed, one to stand by their weapon, and others to capture the fowls from the roost. When taken, the fowls are turned over to entirely different parties who dress and market them. Some hen-raisers have been badly broken up in their business by these depredations, and the total losses have been enormous. Hence the indignation. An effort was made to change the bill so that the above minimum should be a maximum, but it did not succeed. But the committee did accept an amendment to make the minimum six months, instead of a year, and in that form the House was almost unanimous for the bill.

The education committee reported a bill Friday that "hereafter in all public schools of the commonwealth the last regular session prior to Memorial day shall be devoted to exercises of a patriotic nature."

By 33 to 122 the House voted to retain the present law regarding the credibility of atheists as witnesses.

This week the committee have been at work more diligently than during any previous week of the session, and the bulletin boards which have been hung up at frequent intervals in the state house have been full of committee announcements. The committee, too, are making many reports. Most of them are the adverse reports upon important or inexpedient matters which are so frequent, while a few of them are important bills. As is always the case, however, the most important matters are not those first reported. One of the most interesting hearings has been that which is now in progress and probably will not be finished for two or three weeks to come—that in regard to elevated roads in Boston. The West End street railway, which now owns all of the surface road in Boston, with a trifling exception, asks for leave to put up an elevated structure anywhere in the city it sees fit. It is very curious that it takes this position and supports it by the argument that public travel in Boston absolutely demands elevated roads, for last year, when other people wanted authority

to build, the West End opposed them. It said that the new electric cars would satisfy the needs of rapid transit, and that elevated roads were not needed. So it defeated the bill. But this year it finds that electric cars won't do, and so it has turned its back squarely upon its position of last year and wants a road on stilts as much as anybody. The truth is that the control of the local transportation of Boston is likely to be a plum to the owner, and they intend to knock it down, if their pole is long enough.

The committee on agriculture, Senator Low of Essex dissenting, has reported a bill to forbid the coloring of oleomargarine to imitate yellow butter. It is word for word the same bill as was reported last year. It was brought into the House on Monday and was in the calendar for Tuesday. A friend of the bill, Jesse Allen of Oakland, on Tuesday moved that the measure be assigned to Thursday. An opponent of the bill, Mr. Taft of Gloucester, saying that he wanted opportunity to consult with the dissenting Senator and to prepare a substitute bill, moved to postpone to next week Thursday. Other opponents spoke for the motion and it was carried. It was not a test vote, but the oleo men carried their point.

An attempt to change the probate laws has met decided failure in the House. On Tuesday the probate committee reported a bill that an executor or administrator shall not be appointed guardian of a minor or insane person who is interested in property in control of such official, and that no guardian shall be appointed executor or administrator on the estate of a minor or insane person. The bill was stoutly opposed on Wednesday, especially because it prevented a widow from being the guardian of her children and at the same time the executor of her husband's will. An amendment was adopted to remedy that defect, but even then the bill was defeated, 60 to 84.

The interest in dogs is perennial. Sheep-raisers and dog-haters repeatedly try to secure more stringent legislation, and the dog-lovers always rush to the defense of their pets. On Wednesday occurred a renewal of the effort to restrain dogs still farther. A great crowd attended the hearing of the committee on agriculture, and the sheep-raisers and those who are annoyed by dogs presented their side of the case, showing that farmers suffer immensely in money and other people in health by the depredations of stray dogs. At a later date the remonstrants will be given a hearing.

LONDON.
"I wonder how it is that Lawrence Barrett always keeps his voice so clear and resonant?" "Why, I suppose like every other cantabile man, he keeps a supply of Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup."

Rheumatism had hold of me for two or three years. I tried Serravallo Oil; it quickly gave me relief, and I had not had it since. Wm. Clark, Clifton, Baltimore County, Md.

Who would have supposed looking into Broadhurst Bros. shoe store while in Springfield the other day, that it is what is generally reckoned a dull February? Why the rush was perfectly tremendous. The fact is, their great sale of shop-worn shoes is the attraction. Ladies \$3.00 kid and goat button boots sell for \$2.00. Men's \$3.00 kip boots for \$2.25 and men's \$1.25 overboots for 75cts. Where such things are done, its bound to be a busy place.

"I have used Ayer's Pills for the past 30 years, and am satisfied I should not be alive to-day if it had not been for them. They cured me of dyspepsia when all other remedies failed."—T. P. Bonner, Chester, Pa. Ayer's Pills are sold by all druggists.

The world-wide reputation of Ayer's Sarsaparilla is the natural result of its surpassing value as a blood medicine. Nothing in the whole pharmacopeia effects more astonishing results, in scrofula, rheumatism, general debility, and all forms of blood disease, than this remedy.

What I have suffered for years with those terrible macking sick headaches. Life was only a torment to me; if you are so troubled, I would advise you to use Sulphur Bitters, for they cured me.—CLARA BELLE.

Is It Safe
To neglect yourself if troubled with any disease of the kidneys? No, it is dangerous; and if you are so afflicted, attend to yourself now. Do not wait, but use Sulphur Bitters at once. They cure me when I was given up to die by several physicians.—JONATHAN HAM, Boston.

News About Town.
It is the current report about town that Kemp's Balm for the Throat and Lungs is making some remarkable cures with people who are troubled with Croup, Sore Throat, Asthma, Bronchitis and Consumption. Any druggist will give you a trial bottle free of cost. It is guaranteed to relieve and cure. The large bottles are 50c. and \$1. 4-6

To the Readers of This Paper.
This style of advertising has been running in our paper for a long time. Your eyes have wandered over it for years. It is simply here as a reminder to you that if you should ever be so unfortunate as to have a cold or any lung trouble Kemp's Balm is the best cough cure. Sample bottle free at all drug stores. Large bottles 50c. and \$1. 4-6

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Advice to Mothers.
Are you distressed at night and broken of your rest by a sick child suffering and crying with pain of cutting teeth? If so, send at once for a bottle of WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP FOR CHILDREN TEETHING. Its value is incalculable. It cures the poor little sufferer immediately. Depend upon it, mothers, there is no mistake about it. It cures dysentery and diarrhea, regulates the stomach and bowels, cures wind colic, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, and gives tone and energy to the whole system. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP FOR CHILDREN TEETHING is pleasant to the taste, and is the prescription of one of the oldest and best female nurses and physicians in the United States, and is for sale by all druggists throughout the world. Price 25 cents a bottle.

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At Three Rivers, 1st, by Rev. G. W. Christie, F. LOUIS LUTHER and HARRIET E. FREEK, AT THORNTON, 1st, by Rev. F. J. Lynch, HENRY GRIFPIN of Indian Orchard and BRIDGET SULLIVAN of Thornton. At Lowell, 5th, by Rev. Dr. Chamber, GEORGE S. HALL of New Haven and MARGERY, daughter of Stephen W. Driver of Lowell.

DIED.
At Brimfield, 13th, Mrs. LUCYTHIA PARKER, 71. At Brimfield, 13th, by Rev. F. J. Lynch, MRS. MARY ANN DAKIN, 12. At Brimfield, 13th, by Rev. F. J. Lynch, MRS. MARY ANN DAKIN, 12. At Brimfield, 13th, by Rev. F. J. Lynch, MRS. MARY ANN DAKIN, 12.

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Inquire of MRS. E. M. NELSON, 2-47 South Main St., Palmer.

WANTED—A few cords of green wood, oak or maple. Inquire at JOURNAL OFFICE.

FOUND.—Feb. 15, a pocketbook, which owner can have by proving property and paying charges. JERRY BRADLEY, Palmer.

NOTICE.—The selectmen of Palmer will meet on Friday, Feb. 23, at 2 p. m. instead of Monday, March 3. All bills must be presented next Friday, as no orders will be drawn after that date. Wm. Palmer, Feb. 21, 1890.

HORSES.
Have received a carload of very fine Work and Driving Horses, at Harwood & Allen's livery stable. Any parties wanting to get a good straight horse for less than he is worth would do well to come and see stock and prices. FOSKITT BROS., Palmer, Feb. 21, 1890.

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Is made of the PUREST, CLEANEST and BEST MATERIALS. For the Laundry, Bath or Toilet it has no rival, saving many times its cost to any household in clothes. The price is less than for inferior soaps of Equal weight. Send 2 trade marks from wrappers and get handsome Christmas picture.

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Stand up, ye spellers, now and spell;
Spell phrasal scope and knell;
Or take some simple word as chilly,
Or gauger, or the garden-lilly.
To spell such words as syllogram,
And lachrymose and synchroism,
And pentateuch and saccharine,
Apocrypha and celestialine,
Lactiferous and cecity,
Jejune and homeopathy,
Paralysis and chloroform,
Rhinoecosis and pachyderm,
Metempsychosis, gherkins, basque,
Is certainly no easy task.
Kaleidoscope and Tennessee,
Camechatka and depensary,
Diphthong and crispielas,
And etiquette and sassafras,
Infallible and pythianism.
Allopathy and rheumatism,
And scaly skin and boogeyer,
Twelfth, eighteenth, rendezvous, intriguer,
And hosts of other words are found
On English and on classic ground.
Thus Dehning Stralts and Michaelmas,
Thermopylae, Conitleras,
Suite, hemorrhage, Jap and Havana,
Cinquillo and ipecacuana,
Raphanocock, Sheenadoah,
And Schuykill, and a thousand more,
Are words some prime good spellers miss
In dictionary lands like this;
Nor one need think himself a scroyle
If some of these his efforts foil.
Nor deem himself undone forever
To miss the name of either river,
The Dalepser, Seine, or Guadalupe,
The Dolepser, Seine, or Guadalupe.
—Harford Post.

AMONG THE PARAGRAPHERS.

TYPOGRAPHICAL ERRORS.
The . is now at 47.
When I like these
In every § of the land
~d between the c c
Come from the -ing scribble whose name
No I has found.
But he's an * his fame
On 6 more renowned.
—Chelsea Standard.

"A dude is a good deal like the lapse of time—weak in and weak out."—Burlington Free Press.

Absence of mind.—"Dear Miss—, you will excuse me if yesterday, in a fit of abstraction, I thought and said that I was in love with you."—*Fliegende Blätter*.

Charming Widow.—"And what are you doing now-a-days?" He—"Oh, amusing myself; looking out for number one. And you?" Charming Widow—"Looking out for number two."—*Life*.

Madame.—"Do up my hair, Felice, while I am down to breakfast." Felice—"Yes, madame; which color?" Madame—"The black, please—I am going to a funeral."—*Binghampton Republican*.

Brown.—"You know I'm quite a near neighbor of yours, now, Mrs. Golightly. I've just taken a little house on the river." Mrs. Golightly—"Oh! Well, I hope you'll drop in some day."—*Judy*.

Conductor (sharply)—Madame, this is the smoking-car. Old lady from Missouri (gratefully)—Why, so it is! Thankee. (Produces old clay pipe with cane stem, and proceeds to enjoy herself.)—*Chicago Tribune*.

Raffle.—Ah, there is Miss Coupon, the heiress. I used to be an old flame of hers. Van Riper—You did, hey? (facetiously.) You ain't shining around her very much now. Raffle (sadly)—No, her father put me out.—*Time*.

Robinson Crusoe (to his servant)—"What makes you so down in the mouth, Friday?" Friday—"Just discovered a mole on my shoulder. That is very unlucky." "Why is it unlucky?" "Because it was born on Friday."—*Texas Siftings*.

No band concert, no camp meeting, no bathers, no parrots, no dancing bear, no clubhouse, no hops, no Germans, no musicals, no spotters, no bicycles, no tricycles, no buckboard, no nothing, November.—*Martha's Vineyard Herald*.

"I ain't neebber gwine ter hab nuffin' mo' ter do wid Pete Willis, boss. He flung my bran new Sunday suit out de window 't'other day." "It didn't hurt your suit much, did it?" "No, sah; but it hurt me. I happened ter be in it at de time."—*Tune*.

Messrs. Gibbon and Redman (calling)—"Is Miss Fillette in?" Bridget—"Faith, I don't know. She said ef it was that ridhidded, freeked dude, she wasn't in; but ef it waz that handsome Mr. Gibbon, she wuz. But, begorry! yer both here together."—*Yale Record*.

Young Widow—"Mr. Preachly, will you marry me?" Mr. Preachly—"Well, really, Mrs. Buckner, this is so sudden, and—"

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Shantytown Society Note. Mrs. Murphy—"Would ye go wid me to the choir fair, Mrs. Hogan?" Mrs. Hogan—"In dade I will, and thank ye kindly, Mrs. Murphy." Mrs. Murphy—"Nat at all, Mrs. Hogan. Whin we get there, would ye mind taking a whack at the grab bag for me, for yer hands would half a bushel more than me own?" Mrs. Hogan—"Get out of me house, ye lyin' thafe, or I'll brake iver yone in yer body!"—*Mansey's Weekly*.

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There's Nobody Else, You See.

Two little hands so careful and brisk,
Putting the tea things away;
While mother is resting awhile in her chair,
For she has been busy all day.
And the dear little fingers are working for love,
Although they are tender and wee.
"I'll do it so nicely," she says to herself—
"There's nobody else, you see."

Two little feet just scampered upstairs,
For papa will quickly be here;
And his shoes must be ready and warm by the fire
That is burning so bright and so clear.
Then she must climb on a chair to keep watch;
"He cannot come in without me."
When mother is tired, I open the door—
"There's nobody else, you see."

Two little arms around papa's dear neck,
And a soft downy cheek 'gainst his own;
For out of the nest so cozy and bright,
The little one's mother has flown.
She brushes the tear-drops away as she thinks—
"Now he has no one but me."
I mustn't give away; that would make him so sad,
And there's nobody else, you see."

Two little tears on the pillow, unshed,
Dropped from the two pretty eyes;
Two little arms stretched out in the dark,
Two little faint sobbing cries.
"Papa forget I was always waked up
When he whispered good night to me.
O, mother come back, just to kiss me in bed—
"There's nobody else, you see."

Little tear heart, if mother can look
Out from her home in the skies,
She will not pass to her heaven of rest
While the tears dim her little one's eyes.
If God has shed sorrow around us just now,
Yet his sunshine is ever to be!
And he is the comfort for every one's pain—
"There's nobody else, you see."

—Mary Hodges.

GRACE'S DESK.

Margaret looked up from her sewing machine for a minute to glance across the room at the quiet little figure sitting at the window—a round, graceful little figure, whose attitude of thoughtful gravity was full of suggestion.

And then Margaret, always more or less crusty, but kind-hearted, gave an impatient sigh and increased the speed of her machine by a savage motion of her slipped feet, and compressed her lips and puckered her forehead all up in a perfect

uest of wrinkles; while Grace, unconscious of it, sat looking out of the window at the gloomy prospect—half-melted, dirty, slushy-brown snow that was rapidly growing slushier and more melted under the

drizzling rain that was falling; and, of course, thinking about Laurie Marcellus.

For several months Grace had not thought of much else but him, and yet there had not been an hour or a moment of that time that she had not tried not to think of him and grieve for him.

It had been very similar to the same old story, Laurie Marcellus, handsome, elegant, aristocratic, fairly well-to-do in the world's estimation of riches, had been Grace Warren's most devoted for several months, until by one of those venomous waves of fortune's wind social position and wealth had suddenly vanished, and the Warren girls found themselves obliged to take in dressmaking for a living.

Friends who had always been friends, who redeemed the dear name, who knew them for what they were worth, did not desert them; but first and foremost in the ranks of those who so conveniently preferred to dispense with the society of the two dressmakers who lived in Appledore row was Mr. Laurie Marcellus.

He had dropped out of Grace's life as a brilliant comet disappears from the sky. He had called one evening, the same as ever, with the sweet, caressing tenderness in his voice—the glad, eager light in his handsome eyes—that made the girl's heart spring within her; and—she had never seen him since nor heard from him.

That very next day the crash came, through which the great spice house of Warren & Gray suspended; and a month later Caleb Warren died with apoplexy, and as soon as decency permitted the splendid mansion and furniture, the horses and carriages, the silver and jewels, all were sold under the red flag.

Margaret came grandly to the fore in those dark days, when her keener grief was to witness little Grace's dismay and astonishment and suffering at Laurie Marcellus' defection; and yet her words were usually more bitter and sarcastic than gentle—it was Margaret Warren's way to use heroic

resistance. "He's not worth the everlasting fuss you make about him, Grace. I'm ashamed of you—downright ashamed; and he not your betrothed, either!"

That was true, so far as formal words went. Laurie Marcellus had never asked Grace Warren to be his wife; he had never in so many words told her he loved her; but he had known just as well as he had known he was alive how the girl's heart was all his own—how she loved him dearly and truly, for all his sweet reserve.

Grace smiled faintly when Margaret spoke of the "fuss" she made about him. She knew well enough that the "fuss" was only her grave, sad face, her quiet ways, her listless manner, that she tried desperately hard to conquer, and in all the months that had passed had not succeeded, and seemed no nearer succeeding than in the beginning—so nearly hopeless a task is it for a woman to conquer thoughts and heart's longings for the man she loves.

Pride and shame may do valiant battle for the victory, but pride and shame are baby foes in comparison with the giant they oppose—woman's strong, enduring love for her chosen beloved.

And so the dreary time went on for Grace, and by steady, persistent effort she disallowed herself to be dull or complaining, or a kill-joy. She resolutely determined to at least be cheerful and patient outwardly, no matter what the inward commotion. And to-day—this cheerless January day—she had only given a momentary rein to her thoughts, enough to make her lay down her sewing and lean her head against the window, and wish she might

never have known the sweetness of Laurie Marcellus' love.

Until the unusual whirring of the sewing machine wheel made her aware that Margaret had observed her and was displeased. So, with a little desperate effort, she forced herself back to the busting of the satin fold in her work.

"I was thinking about that auction sale at Dempsey's to-night," Margaret said, almost crossly. "You want a desk, you said, and Maggie Riel says there's a very good one to be sold there. I'll go and bid on it for you, I think, if I ever under the sun get these bands stitched on! It seems to me that those Rich girls are not happy unless their dresses are absolutely loaded with trimming."

Grace looked up, with such sweet, sweet eyes—it was no wonder handsome Marcellus had liked to look into the pure brown wells of limpid light.

"You are so good, Margaret. I do want a desk, if you are sure you can afford it."

"You needn't say if I can afford it, Grace. You have as much right to the money as I have. I'm going to buy myself a cashmere polonaise—you can have the desk if it is reasonable in price."

So that was how Miss Warren came to be at the auction sale at the big house on the hill that evening—Dempsey's grand mansion, whose prince had taken a whim to sell out and spend a few years abroad.

And the next day the desk was delivered at the cottage in Appledore row, and Grace put it in her room—a small, beautiful article, standing nicely in a cozy corner, and just the very thing for Grace's few books and her stationery.

It was very handsome, Grace cried a little over it, because it brought back so many thoughts of the dear old days when she was surrounded by just such elegancies of furniture, and when—everything seemed, somehow, to lead to that one pivotal thought—when Laurie Marcellus had been her friend.

So the months went on, and the two sisters led their busy life, and Grace was growing sweeter and paler, and more patiently thoughtful, with every day that widened the distance between her and her memories.

New friends gathered around them—true friends—and there was more than one opportunity for Grace to have accepted a lover, only she had no love to give, no heart to win.

Her happiest and her saddest hours were spent at her desk, or it seemed to her that it was like a link to the past; and one windy, wildly-stormy night, five years after she had taken up her cross, for Laurie Marcellus' sake, she was sitting before her desk making out a score of bills to the "Misses Warren, artist dressmakers," and going back to one other stormy, snowy night, when she had said the good-night that meant good-bye, although she had not known it.

She was leaning her head on her hands, her elbow resting on the slant of her brain; when, with a little crushing noise, it broke, revealing a shallow aperture, of whose existence she had not the slightest knowledge.

She looked in, and all the blood in her body seemed to rush madly to her brain; for there, lying in the little secret place, fresh and clean, as though laid there an hour before, was a letter, stamped for mailing, and directed plainly to herself—"Grace Warren, The Willows," and in Laurie Marcellus' handwriting.

She dared not touch it for a minute. She feared she was in the midst of some improbable dream; she wondered if it were possible she had gone suddenly deaf.

Was it a letter—to her—from him? But how—how could it have got there, when the desk had been locked, in her room, for years?

Then she touched it, half expecting to see it vanish before her eyes. But it did not vanish; it was all true—a letter, for her, from him, and it had laid there all these years, so near, so far!

She sank trembling on the chair and opened it—Laurie Marcellus' proposal of marriage; his avowal of love; his manly sympathy and pitiful tenderness because of her father's financial trouble; his caressing pleading to be allowed to comfort and protect her as his wife should be comforted and protected and cherished. He begged for an immediate answer, and he would come to her at once if she loved him and did not say him. But if—if there was no such blessed answer for him—if he had been presumptuously mistaken—her greatest kindness would be not to answer him at all.

And she had just received it after five years.

Poor little Grace! White and trembling, amazed and bewildered, she sat there long after Margaret had gone to her own room, so unconscious of the drama enacting so near her.

He had loved her—he had loved her after all; and Grace's heart thrilled at that thought, slender though the consolation was.

But of what avail was it now? Where was he? What might have happened in that long, fatal interval?

She thought of it all, keeping vigil with her thoughts that night. How the letter had ever come in that desk she had bought at Dempsey's, she dared not imagine. Grace only realized that some tremendous fate had discovered it to her.

She kept her strange, sweet, pitiful secret in her own heart for days, wondering with every hour if she could dare take a step in the matter.

And then, one day, the auctioneer who had sold the desk to Margaret Warren went to her and told her that a gentleman who had just returned from Europe desired to regain possession of the desk sold at Dempsey's auction, as it had been a gift to Mr. Dempsey from himself, on the eve of his departure abroad, five years before. And Grace listened with dilating

eyes and throbbing heart, whose beats almost choked her utterance.

"Tell the gentleman to call here and he may have his property."

And that evening, when she went to the door at the sound of the bell, and opened it, with her face slightly paler than usual, Laurie Marcellus stood there.

"I expected you—come in," she said, gently, while amazed and bewildered he could only bow and obey.

Then she explained; then he remembered leaving the letter in the desk, and understood how, by accident—nay, by grim fate—the slant was not fastened and the letter had slipped into its living grave to be resurrected after all these years.

"I do not know that I should tell you even now," she said, bravely, "for I do not know whether you are—the same or not. But," and she looked up in his grand face, "I want you to know I did love you."

He stepped up to her, quietly enough for the minute.

"And now?"

"I am Grace Warren still."

And then he snatched her in his arms, held her to his heart, kissed her sweet, pale face.

"I never have once thought of another woman, my darling. When no answer came I was crushed to the very heart, and got myself away as well as I could. So you are my darling yet, Grace?"

And then Margaret came in, half an hour afterward, in surprise that the gentleman required so much time to make a bargain for the desk.

AN AWKWARD PREDICAMENT.

The fidelity with which dogs watch over property committed to their care may be seen any day in large cities, where express and dry-goods teams are left standing in the street with only a dog in charge. This faithfulness is sometimes a little awkward, however, as shown by the following true incident told in the *Pull-Mall Gazette*:

An Austrian banker lately went to Vienna on business. He arrived in the evening, traveling with a large, handsome dog. The two put up at a hotel, and next morning the gentleman went out, hiding care to be taken that his dog did not stray from the house. The chambermaid went to make up the banker's room. Bruno was very pleased to see her, wagged his huge tail, licked her hand, and made friends thoroughly, until, her business being done, she was about to leave.

Not so. Bruno calmly stretched himself full length before the door. He explained, as perfectly as possible, that "he knew his duty." No one should leave his master's room in his absence. When the girl tried to pull the door open sufficiently for her to slip out, he growled, showed his teeth, and finally tried them on her legs. The screams brought another maid, and yet another, and then in succession all the waiters. Bruno was glad to let them all in, but he allowed no one out. The room became pretty well crowded, and every bell in the house meantime rang, while the walls echoed cries of "Waiter! Waiter!" Finally the lady who kept the hotel appeared and pushed her way, bravely, into the room, asking angrily, as she walked in, what sort of a piece they were holding here.

Bruno let her in too, but not out again—oh, no! When the lady's husband appeared, she called to him loudly for heaven's sake to keep outside, to send messengers scouring the city for the banker, and meantime to endeavor to pacify the angry customers down stairs. The Austrian banker was a welcome man when he arrived.

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When I think of the towel, The old-fashioned towel, That used to hang up by the printing house door, I think that nobody, In these days of shoddy, Can hammer out iron to wear as it wore.

The tramp who abused it, The devil who used it, The comp, who got at it when these two were gone, The make-up and forerunner, The cult, poor man, Each rubbed some grime off for the heap they put on.

In, over and under, 'Twas blacker than thunder, 'Twas harder than poverty, rougher than sin, From the roller suspended, It never was bended, And it flapped on the wall like a banner of sin.

It grew thicker and rougher, And harder and tougher, And daily put on a more licker hue; Until, one weary morning, Without any warning, It fell to the floor and was broken in two.

—Burdette.

AMONG THE PARAGRAPHERS.

THE REASON WHY.

There is no doubt, the while you woo, You find that love is blind, That's why she finds good points in you That no one else can find.

—New York Evening Sun.

One disagreeable feature about postage stamps is that they are apt to get stuck on themselves.—Binghamton Leader.

On the Make. Effie's Brother—"Do you love my sister Effie?" Effie's Steady Company—"Why, Willie, that is a queer question. Why do you want to know?" Effie's Brother—"She said last night she would give a dollar to know; and I'd like to scoop it in."—Puck.

"Shall I vind the clock, vadder?" asked young Jacob Isaacstein, as they were about to close the store. "No," said the old gentleman with a sigh, "pizness yas too pad. Choost let it alone, Jacob und ve vill save the year and tear on the veels."—Norristown Times.

Judge—"James Ricketts, there is a charge of fighting against you. Don't you remember that Scriptural advice, if a man strike you on the right cheek to turn the left to him also?" Prisoner—"Yes, your honor; but Bill Symmes he hit my left cheek first!"—Judge.

A Serious Mistake.—Enraged Father—"Well, that's the last time I'll ever be fool enough to give any of my daughters a wedding check." Mother—"Why, Charles? There's nothing wrong, I hope." Enraged Father—"Yes, but there is. That fool of a son-in-law has gone and had it cashed."—Judge.

Wife—"Mother wants to come and make us a visit, John, but I'm afraid she never will as long as we have that parrot. She detests parrots." Husband—"Does she?" Wife—"And you know you have a standing offer of \$50 for that bird." Husband—"My dear, I would sell that parrot for \$150."—Epoch.

Tommy—"Doesn't it say in the Bible that a soft answer turneth away wrath?" mamma—"Mamma—"Yes, dear." Tommy—"I don't believe it, anyhow." Mamma—"Why, dear?" Tommy—"I shouted at Billy Buck eye to-day, and he answered me with a soft tomato, and I've been mad clear through ever since."—Stray.

"Don't you think," said a youth, after working his vocal cords with intense vigor beside the hotel piano, "that I ought to go on the stage?" "Yes," replied Miss Pepperton, who doesn't like him very well, anyhow, "I certainly do. There is one that leaves for the station just an hour and a half from now."—Washington Post.

"Mamma, what's hereditary?" asked Bobbie, laboriously tripping over the syllables of the long word. "Why, it is—it is anything you get from your father or me," replied the mother, a little puzzled for a definition suited to his years. Silence of two minutes. "Then, ma," he asked, "is speaking hereditary?"—Health Monthly.

Managing Editor—"Mr. Faber, what have you in hand, just now?" Ready Writer—"Nothing particular." "Well, here's something for you to write up. A boy down in Blind alley fell down and lost all his marbles. That ought to be good for two columns. Make it bright and chatty, and if it runs into three columns all the better."—Boston Transcript.

A Lucky Dog.—The genius who "runs" the Detroit Opera House program should not go unrecognized. Under the heading, "In a Book Store" he has the following: Customer—"Have you the Woman in White?" Clerk—"Yes, sir." Customer—"Quite Alone?" Clerk—"Yes sir." Customer—"In the Dark?" Clerk—"Yes." Customer—"Well, you're a lucky dog. Good morning."—Detroit News.

Aunt Dinah—"Tee off yo' coat, now 'n' I'll men de to'n pocket. Ough! yo' got sump'n clammy in dat pocket. What is it, man?" Uuec Reub—"Dat's a picked chick'n, lady. 'Twas swingin' in de win' front o' de butcher's 'n' dey was a tramp coming up de street; 'n' says I, 'Chick'n, yo, an' safe,' 'n' I put it in my pocket. De tramp would a stole dat chick'n, suah."—Puck.

Thirst for Knowledge.—City Belle—"I hope your stay in our city will not be short, Mr. De Science." Mr. De Science (member of the American Ornithologists' union)—"Thank you, but my sojourn must be brief. I am here attending the Ornithological convention at the Museum of Natural History, and the sessions will soon be over." "What kind of a convention did you say?" "Ornithological—about birds, you know." Oh, yes, yes. How stupid of me! Do you think they will be worn much next season?—New York Weekly.

"Clara," he exclaimed, lying his hand upon his cardiac region. "I have long looked forward to this opportunity to tell you that I love you with all the ardor of the happiest of men. Or if your maiden modesty seals your ruby lips, give me some little keepsake which shall mutely say that my love is returned, and which shall be a constant reminder of this my hour of happiness. Stay! Let it be one of your golden tresses, just one little lock of your fragrant hair." Clara blushed, and seeing that George took up the scissors from the table, she murmured: "Nay, George, never mind the scissors; here it is (and she removed an affluent switch); take it; it cost me \$10, but such love as yours is worth far more than that."—Boston Transcript.

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LEAVE BOSTON for Northampton, Hadley, Amherst, So. Amherst, Belchertown and Holliston, 7:45 a. m., 1:30 and 3:40 p. m. Sunday, 1:15 p. m.

RETURN, Northampton, 6:00, 8:15 a. m., 2:00 p. m. Sunday, 6:25 a. m.

Hadley, 6:05, 8:21 a. m., 2:05 p. m. Sunday, 6:33 p. m.

Amherst, 6:15, 8:30 a. m., 2:14 p. m. Sunday, 6:43 a. m.

So. Amherst, 6:20 a. m., 2:19 p. m. Sunday, 6:48 a. m.

Belchertown, 6:34, 8:47 a. m., 2:32 p. m. Sunday, 7:03 a. m.

Bostonville, 6:45, 8:57 a. m., 2:42 p. m. Sunday, 7:16 a. m.

LOCAL SERVICE BETWEEN WARE & NORTHAMPTON

LEAVE Ware, 6:10, 10:35 a. m., 4:38, 6:33 p. m. Sunday, 4:33 p. m.

Sunday, 4:33 p. m.

Bondville, 6:45, 10:49 a. m., 4:54, 6:49 p. m. Sunday, 4:59 p. m.

Belchertown, 7:10, 10:59 a. m., 5:05, 7:00 p. m. Sunday, 5:03 p. m.

So. Amherst, 7:40, 11:12 a. m., 5:19, 7:14 p. m. Sunday, 5:17 p. m.

Amherst, 7:53, 11:45 a. m., 5:26, 7:19 p. m. Sunday, 5:23 p. m.

Hadley, 8:21, 11:28 a. m., 5:36, 7:29 p. m. Sunday, 5:33 p. m.

ARRIVE, Northampton, 8:35, 11:35 a. m., 5:43, 7:35 p. m. Sunday, 5:40 p. m.

LEAVE, Northampton, 6:00, 8:15 a. m., 2:00, 7:10 p. m. Sunday, 6:25 a. m.

Hadley, 6:05, 8:21 a. m., 2:05, 7:20 p. m. Sunday, 6:33 a. m.

Amherst, 6:15, 8:30 a. m., 2:14, 7:50 p. m. Sunday, 6:43 a. m.

So. Amherst, 6:20 a. m., 2:19, 8:00 p. m. Sunday, 6:48 a. m.

Belchertown, 6:34, 8:47 a. m., 2:32, 8:30 p. m. Sunday, 7:03 a. m.

Bostonville, 6:45, 8:57 a. m., 2:42, 8:50 p. m. Sunday, 7:16 a. m.

ARRIVE, Ware, 7:00, 9:10 a. m., 3:00, 9:20 p. m. Sunday, 7:25 a. m.

LEAVE BOSTON for Ware, Gilbertville, Barre, Rutland, Oakdale and West Boylston, 7:45 a. m., 3:40 p. m. Sunday, 1:15 p. m.

RETURN, Ware, 7:00, 9:10 a. m., 3:00 p. m. Sunday, 7:25 a. m.

Gilbertville, 7:00, 9:18 a. m., 3:08 p. m. Sunday, 7:44 a. m.

Barre, 7:45, 9:58 a. m., 3:27 p. m. Sunday, 8:08 a. m.

Rutland, 7:50, 9:48 a. m., 3:43 p. m. Sunday, 8:27 a. m.

Oakdale, 8:28, 10:16 a. m., 4:10 p. m. Sunday, 9:08 a. m.

West Boylston, 8:35, 10:20 a. m., 4:15, p. m. Sunday, 9:14 a. m.

LEAVE BOSTON for New Braintree, Haverhill, Barre Plains, Colbrook, 7:45 a. m., 1:30, 3:40 p. m. Sunday, 1:15 p. m.

RETURN, New Braintree, 7:17 a. m., 3:11 p. m. Sunday, 7:52 a. m.

Haverhill, 7:20 a. m., 3:14 p. m. Sunday, 7:56 a. m.

Barre Plains, 7:28 a. m., 3:23 p. m. Sunday, 8:04 a. m.

Colbrook, 7:42 a. m., 3:32 p. m. Sunday, 8:14 a. m.

LEAVE BOSTON for So. Clinton and Berlin, 7:45 a. m., 1:30, 3:40 p. m. Sunday, 1:15 p. m.

RETURN, So. Clinton, 8:14 a. m., 4:22 p. m. Sunday, 9:21 a. m.

Berlin, 8:21 a. m., 4:30 p. m. Sunday, 9:31 a. m.

LEAVE BOSTON for Hudson, So. Sudbury, 8:20 a. m., 1:30, 3:40, 5:25, 6:25 p. m. Sunday, 1:15 p. m.

RETURN, Hudson, 8:30, 7:40, 9:08, 10:42 a. m., 12:35, 4:30 p. m. Sunday, 1:44 a. m.

So. Sudbury, 8:45, 7:55, 9:28 a. m., 12:52, 4:54 p. m. Sunday, 1:04 a. m.

LEAVE for WATLHAM, 7:15, 7:45, 9:20, 11:40 a. m., 1:30, 3:40, 4:20, 5:25, 6:00, 6:25 p. m. Sunday, 1:15 p. m.

RETURN WATLHAM, 5:50, 6:55, 8:02, 8:45, 9:36, 10:12 a. m., 12:58, 2:40, 5:01, 5:15 p. m. Sunday, 1:12 a. m.

LEAVE for WESTON, 7:15, 9:20, 11:40 a. m., 1:30, 3:40, 4:20, 5:25, 6:00, 6:25 p. m. Sunday, 1:15 p. m.

RETURN WESTON, 6:04, 7:04, 8:10, 9:34, 10:44 a. m., 1:07, 2:40, 5:09, 5:25 p. m. Sunday, 10:21 a. m.

LEAVE for WATLHAM, 7:15, 9:20, 11:40 a. m., 1:30, 3:40, 4:20, 5:25, 6:00, 6:25 p. m. Sunday, 1:15 p. m.

RETURN WATLHAM, 6:58, 7:52, 8:17, 9:02, 9:22 a. m., 1:15, 2:57, 5:16, 5:34 p. m. Sunday, 10:20 a. m.

LEAVE for WAVERLY, 7:15, 9:20, 11:40 a. m., 1:30, 3:40, 4:20, 5:25, 6:00, 6:25 p. m. Sunday, 1:15 p. m.

RETURN WAVERLY, 6:15, 7:48, 8:22, 9:07 a. m., 1:20, 3:02, 5:40 p. m. Sunday, 10:36 a. m.

LEAVE for BELMONT, 7:15, 9:20, 11:40 a. m., 4:20, 5:28, 6:00, 6:25 p. m. Sunday, 1:15 p. m.

RETURN BELMONT, 6:15, 7:21, 8:25, 9:10 a. m., 1:25, 3:05, 5:45 p. m. Sunday, 10:30 a. m.

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